



Hanau Explorer



Newcomer's Guide to Hanau
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Must Know Items *in the* *Hanau Military Community*



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What are your Questions?

If you can't find the answers to your questions in the Hanau Explorer, contact Army Community Service at DSN 322-8965 / 8963 or (06181) 88-8965/8963.

Mailing Address:

Army Community
Service Relocation
414th Base Support Battalion
Unit 20193, Box 0006
APO AE 09165

Website:

<http://www.hanau.army.mil>

Time Difference

The time in Germany may be 6 to 10 hours ahead of the USA.

TIME ZONE	GERMAN TIME	USA TIME
USA Eastern	Add 6 hours to U.S. time	Subtract 6 hours from German time
USA Central	Add 7 hours to U.S. time	Subtract 7 hours from German time
USA Mountain	Add 8 hours to U.S. time	Subtract 8 hours from German time
USA Pacific	Add 9 hours to U.S. time	Subtract 9 hours from German time

**Be aware of the start and end dates of daylight savings time, both in Europe and America.*

Frankfurt Airport to Hanau

Get on Autobahn 3 towards Munich / Würzburg. Stay on A3 until you see a sign for Hanau / Babenhausen (Road Number 45) and take this exit following the signs to Hanau. After a short distance the road will split. Stay to the right (Road Number 43A) following the Hanau / Fulda sign. Take the exit marked Hanau / Wolfgang. At the top of the exit will be a stop sign. Turn right and take another right at the traffic light. The road will split into two traffic lights, stay to the right (this will force you to turn right).

There will be signs for Pioneer Kaserne which will be ahead on your right at the second light. If you get lost, call:

Military Police (06181) 180-2749 or
Army Community Service (06181) 88-8965.

Make sure you get euro coins at the airport for this type of emergency.

For information on arrival and check-in requirements, temporary quarters and pets, see Relocation Services.

Dialing the phone

When dialing a military number from a civilian telephone, dial the city code (if outside the city limits), the military access number and the last numbers in the military number as shown below.

Büdingen: 06042-80-

Last three of the DSN number.

Fliegerhorst 322: 06183-51-

Last four of DSN number.

Gelnhausen: 06051-81-

Last three of DSN number.

Hanau 322: 06181-88-

Last four of DSN number.

Hanau 328: 06181-500-

Last four of the DSN number.

When dialing a military number from a civilian telephone in the U.S., dial:

Büdingen: 011-49-6042-80-

Last three of the DSN number.

Fliegerhorst: 011-49-6183-51-Last four of the DSN number.

Gelnhausen: 011-49-6051-81-Last three of the DSN number.

Hanau 322: 011-49-6181-88-

Last four of the DSN number.

Hanau 328: 011-49-6181-500-Last four of the DSN number.

Making a Long Distance Call

Calling Collect to the U.S: 0010 -
(area code) - phone number

Calling Direct to the U.S: 00 - 1 - (area code) - phone number

Calling from the U.S. to Germany: 011 - 49 - (no 0) - phone number

Calling a stateside DSN line from a Class A DSN Line in Germany: 312 + 7 – digit DSN

Whenever you dial a German telephone number from outside of Germany, you drop the first number (the 0).

So, if you want to call DSN 322-8963 from within Germany you dial, 06181-88-8963. From the U.S. you dial 011-49-6181-88-8963.

Force Protection

The 414 Base Support Battalion takes your safety and security very seriously. It's our number one mission. All the kasernes are fenced and patrolled. Security guards control entry onto the kasernes. Be assured that you will be very safe in the Hanau Community.

As Americans living in Germany we must abide by German laws. Crime exists in Germany just as in any other country. However, there are things that you can do to protect yourself and your belongings. Be alert and aware of your surroundings, blend in and use a fanny pack instead of a purse. Utilize Operation Identification (USA plus SSN) to engrave identifying information on your property. Local authorities, in conjunction with the Provost Marshal's Office will assist in performing home security evaluations.

Everyone requires a military identification card or installation access card to gain entry to the Hanau kasernes. All gates are manned by guards wearing blue uniforms. Periodic vehicle inspections are required.

Additionally, POV registration and USAREUR driver's license are checked often. Please cooperate with the guards as they're trying to provide for your safety. Visitors can obtain installation access by:

- A sponsor can sign someone in each time they enter an installation, but the sponsor must escort the guest. The duration of a visit must not be longer than

48 hrs, or they must be signed in again. Visitors require a passport or Reisepass.

- A sponsor can have visitors placed on an access roster with 1-week notice.

- A sponsor can procure an installation pass for the duration of their stay from the Harvey IACO.

Visitors are not allowed to operate USAREUR-licensed vehicles unless approval is given by Customs. You must provide proof of identity and an International Drivers license. Visitors are not permitted to purchase items in AAFES/Commissary facilities due to their inability to pay German VAT Tax.



Before You Arrive *in the Hanau Military Community*



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Arrival procedures

There are two primary means of arriving in country, AMC at Rhein Main Air Base or Frankfurt International Airport. Weekend arrival is not authorized for travel to USAREUR.

AMC arrival

You'll be met by a representative of 64th Replacement Detachment. You'll be directed to the luggage claim area. Pets may be picked up from the Passenger Service Center around the corner from the arrival gate. Once you've placed your luggage in the luggage holding area, you may proceed to the processing center.

Frankfurt International Airport Arrival

Once you have passed through the customs area and claimed your luggage, look for the USO lounge in the lower level of Terminal C. USO staff will direct you to the free shuttle bus to take you to Rhein Main Air Base.

At the 64th Replacement Detachment, there'll be a short briefing. In-processing will begin after the briefing and last approximately four hours. Once in-processing has been completed, you'll board the Sponsorship Bus to take you to your community. Be advised, pets will ride in a luggage rack on the underside of the bus. All soldiers must process through the 64th Replacement Detachment before proceeding on to Hanau.

In Hanau

Upon arrival, the In-processing Training Center staff will give a short briefing on the process as well as provide you with a Welcome Packet. Your unit and sponsor will be notified to pick you up or you may be taken directly to your barracks or family lodging. Family members will be met by a Community Greeter. The Greeter will help you and your family members get settled throughout your transition and will be

available upon your arrival to assist your family with any immediate needs.

Moving tips

What to pack

When you think about what to pack, what to mail and what to bring along, keep in mind that Army Community Service has a lending closet for relocating service members, civilians and their families. pots, pans, dishes, silverware, coffee pots, irons, baby cribs, car seats, and more can be signed out to personnel waiting for their household goods. The Housing Office has a furniture branch as well as an appliance branch. They can lend furniture for 90 days and appliances for the extent of your tour. Unfortunately, there is no agency that has linens for temporary use. Personnel should consider hand carrying, mailing, buying, or shipping these items early.

Exceptional Family Member Program — Everyone on orders to Europe must complete an Exceptional Family Member Program screening before dependent travel will be authorized. For information regarding the EFMP screening contact your local medical

facility or EFMP Coordinator at your local ACS.

Important documents to hand carry — orders, immunization records and medical/dental history, marriage certificates, divorce decree, passports, social security cards, wills, power of attorney, school records, car title and shipping papers, car registration, car insurance policy, driver's license, household goods shipping inventory, employment records and references, pet records, credit cards, and a copy of your last leave and earnings statement. New passport information — The State Department requires both parents' consent to obtain passports for children under 14.

Both parents must sign the passport application forms unless one parent is unavailable because of geographic separation, divorce or other circumstances. In this case the parent applying for a child's passport needs a signed statement from the absent parent that gives permission to take the child overseas. For more information, see the U.S. State Department website or your local Personnel Service Battalion.

Mail

Your sponsor can open a mail box on your behalf with a copy of your orders. If you need a sponsor, see: <http://www.sgate.hqusareur.army.mil>, the gateway to Europe website.

Privately-owned Vehicles

Shipping privately-owned vehicles — U.S. Customs requires personnel to have a copy of the title to their vehicle. The title must include the vehicle identification number or, if the vehicle does not have a VIN, the product identification number. If there's a lien on the vehicle, there must be written approval from the lien holder. For information on shipping POVs, see: <http://www.mtmc.army.mil>

For personnel assigned to the Hanau Military Community, vehicles are transported to the Mainz-Kastel Vehicle Processing Center, which is about an hour drive from Hanau. It's important that personnel notify the transportation office of their duty assignment upon arrival. The Military Traffic Management Command "Shipping Your POV" is available on the MTMC website. Once on the MTMC website, click on "transportation services," then on "personal property."

Your car must pass an inspection for safety, condition and reliability. It's recommended that any needed repairs be completed prior to shipping your car to Germany. Labor and parts are very expensive and parts may take time to arrive in Germany. Check vehicles for rust, chips, cracks in the windshield and oil leaks. Inoperative lights, horn, speedometer and other items can prevent your car from passing inspection. See "POV Inbound Shipments" for more information.

Information on the status of POV shipments can be found on the website under "POV Inbound Shipments" section of this document. Since German streets are

very narrow, consider leaving your large car or truck in the States.

Car seats

Car seat requirements are different in Germany than in the U.S. All children under 12 years of age who are smaller than 4' 11" or weigh less than 50 pounds must use an approved child seat or booster seat. Children up to 36 months or up to 40 pounds must use a car seat. Children ages 3 to 11 or 33 to 80 pounds must use a booster seat. Failure to use these devices may result in a fine.

Car insurance

Germany has a high cost of living. Prices for auto insurance are especially expensive. Variables include your age, your car's age, engine size, make, model and weight. German liability insurance, which is mandatory, ranges from 400 to 1000 euros per year. Shop around when purchasing insurance.

Driver's licenses

The minimum age for driving in Germany is 17. Soldiers and U.S. civilian employees must have a stateside license or a country license to obtain a USAREUR certificate of license. Prior to departing, ensure that your stateside driver's license is current and not near expiration. Possession of a valid stateside license expedites licensing in USAREUR. Personnel must hold a USAREUR POV Certificate of License in order to operate a private auto off-post. Individuals are no longer permitted to use a military license in lieu of a valid state or country license to obtain a U.S. Forces POV Certificate of License for any class. If you do not have a valid license you will be able to get licensed but the process will be lengthy and expensive. The German driver's license (Führerschein) costs approximately 2000 euros. A copy of the Driver's License Study Guide is available at www.hanau.army.mil.

It's recommended that you study for the driver's license exam before you arrive. The laws and street signs are different than in the U.S. and it can be confusing. Personnel requiring child care during the driver's orientation and test may utilize hourly slots on a space available basis. Children must first be registered through Central Registration in order to use hourly care.

Gas

Army Air Force Exchange System (AAFES) has only one gas station with a service garage in Hanau. There is often a wait for an appointment at the garage. There are few garages on the economy that can work on American cars. Gas is good quality and purchased in liters instead of gallons. AAFES gas stations are few and far between. For your convenience gas coupons can be purchased at the PX and can be used at specified gas stations on the economy. Without gas coupons, you would pay approximately \$5 for a gallon at a German gas station. With the gas coupons, you pay average stateside prices.

Hoopties

A Hooptie is what we call an old car that runs great. If you're looking for a second car or simply something very inexpensive to drive, check out the Lemon or "Hooptie" Lot on Wolfgang Kaserne. You can pick up a Hooptie for \$500-\$800 and sometimes less. When your Hooptie no longer runs, you may drop it off at the 414 BSB POV Disposal Point at Gross Auheim free of charge. Contact HHD, 414 BSB for more information on car disposal. Never abandon a car in Germany, including on the kasernes, the penalties are very stiff.

Privately-owned weapons

Service members are no longer allowed to ship, transport or hand carry privately-owned firearms to Germany. This is necessary to avoid the possibility of German criminal prosecution for unauthorized possession of weapons or punishment under the UCMJ.

Telephone

Telephone bills easily get out of control in Germany. There are no "local calls"

in Germany. Each call is charged based on the call's time of day, duration and distance. Long distance services are offered by a number of independent companies. Do not call the U.S. without a long distance telephone plan. The Army Community Service Financial Readiness Program can provide you with information about various options. While you may be able to use a stateside telephone in your quarters, the German Telekom Office would prefer that you use a German phone. You have the option of renting or buying one. Mobile telephones or "Handys" are extremely popular in Germany. Look before you buy; there are a variety of billing plans and manufacturers. Be advised, 1-800 calls are not toll free in Germany. The TKS store at the PX offers mobile phones, internet service, DSL, cable television and phone service.

Utilities

Utilities are more costly than in most stateside locations. Utility bills are based on estimated usage. See the utilities section for more information.

Voltage

Germany uses 220 volts, 50 cycles while the U.S. uses 110 volts, 60 cycles. All electrical appliances made for use in the United States must be used here with a transformer. Some appliances, such as clocks, do not work correctly when plugged into a transformer. Others, such as microwaves may deteriorate when returned to 110 voltage use. Transformers are equipped to handle different wattage. The wattage required should be listed on the back of the appliance. Many appliances are now available in dual voltage; they simply require an adapter. Don't discard your lamps. If your quarters are wired for 220 volts, all you need is a plug adapter for the outlet and 220V light bulbs. Make sure you purchase the correct light bulbs at the PX; they carry both 110V and 220V. Many of the quarters in the Hanau Community have been renovated to include both 110 and 220 voltage. Be aware that the cycles have not been converted and this will affect all time-keeping appliances.

Pets

Germany has passed new laws restricting the breeding, trading and obtaining of dog breeds which are classified as “fighting dogs.” You must obtain a German permit to own a mix or purebred of the following breeds: American Pit Bull Terrier, American Stafford Terrier or American Staffordshire Terrier, Staffordshire Bullterrier, American Bulldog, Bullmastiff, Bullterrier, Dogue de Bordeaux, Dogo Argentino, Fila Brasileiro, Kangal, Kaukasischer Owtscharka, Mastiff, Mastin Espanol, Mastino Napoletano and Tosa Inu. For current information on this situation contact the Veterinary Services or visit the 414th BSB website.

Germany does not quarantine animals but requires a health certificate which can not be more than 10 days old. Rabies vaccinations must be at least 30 days old and not more than one year old. Your military veterinarian can provide information. Pets are allowed in billeting and temporary lodging. A \$50 fumigation fee and daily pet rate of \$6 per pet, per day apply in billeting. Personnel who are lodged in German hotels may need to find kennel facilities.

The Hanau Vet Clinic does not have kennel facilities available but they do have a listing of local kennels.

Food Stamps and WIC

Food stamps are not available overseas. The WIC overseas program serves members of the Hanau Community. Once you’re overseas it’s impossible to sign up for Supplemental Security Income and Supplemental Disability Income through the Social Security Administration. If you or a family member has a disability, you must sign up prior to coming overseas. Visit your local Social Security Office. This could make a significant difference in your income.

German currency

Many European Union countries use a common currency called the euro. In Germany, euros are required for purchases off American kasernes. The rate of the U.S. dollar to Euro varies. The rate is announced by American Forces Network Radio and Television and can also be found in the Stars and Stripes newspaper

daily. Service members stationed in this area receive a Cost of Living Adjustment. COLA is a tax-free entitlement based on current living costs in a geographical area. German stores do not readily accept credit cards. Some only accept the Euro Visa. Be prepared to have euros on hand or to withdraw from an ATM once you reach Germany. ATM’s on-post will allow you to withdraw dollars or euros.

Credit Cards

Credit cards are not as widely accepted in Germany as they are in the states. Always look for your card’s logo on the store window before you shop.

Value-added tax

The price of goods in Germany includes a 16 percent tax (Mehrwertsteuer). ID card holders can use a VAT form to receive an exemption from this tax for purchases over 25 euros. VAT forms are controlled documents regulated by both the VAT office and the German government. Contact the VAT office for rules and regulations. In Hanau, it is located at the Community Activities Center on Fliegerhorst Kaserne. In Büdingen, it is located on Armstrong Kaserne, Building 2204.

Medical services

Medical and Dental services in Hanau are limited. There’s often a wait for an appointment as service members have priority. Whenever feasible, schedule routine appointments prior to your arrival in Germany.

Employment

If you’re interested in employment during your tour in Germany, see the section entitled Employment Overview for information or visit www.hanau.army.mil.

Children

Child care

There’s currently a waiting list for all child care. You may register for child care online at www.hanau.army.mil. Whether you need full-time child care or periodic care, it’s advisable to register as soon as possible. The date of registration online or in-office will determine your placement upon the waiting lists.

See the Child and Youth section for information. Even if full time care is not required, families are encouraged to register online as soon as possible so they may access hourly care in order to attend In-processing Training Center classes. Single parents and dual military parents should be aware that during ITC you may use an hourly child care slot if there is a wait for a full-time slot in your child's age group. Hourly rates are more expensive than full-time slots for many ranks.

Schools

There are three elementary schools, one middle school and one high school in the 414th BSB. Your area of residence determines the elementary school placement.

See www.hanau.army.mil for more information on schools.

- Argonner Elementary School, Old Argonner Kaserne
- Sportsfield Elementary School, Sportsfield Kaserne
- Gelnhausen Elementary School, Coleman Housing Area
- Hanau Middle School, New Argonner Kaserne
- Hanau High School, New Argonner Kaserne

School Registration

To register children for school you will need: passport / birth certificate, up-to-date shot record, travel orders listing family members, sponsor's ID card and previous school records. The school registration form can be printed from the Hanau website, www.hanau.army.mil, and completed prior to arrival.

Families choosing to home-school their children or enroll in host-nation schools must complete a DODDS-E registration form. This form may be obtained from the 414th BSB School Liaison Officer, in the Welcome Packet upon arrival or from your sponsor. This form will be turned in to the 414th BSB School Liaison Officer.

Special education

Hanau is designated as a Category 4 community for the Exceptional Family Member Program and offers all services attendant to that designation. Hanau is not able to support low-incident disabilities.

Extended day care facilities

Hanau schools offer after-school extra-curricular activities. Please see the Education section for information. After-school child care for children from 1st grade through 11 years of age is provided by the School Age Services and Family Child Care Providers. The Galaxy and Millennium Teen Centers offer activities for middle and high school age youth. See the Child and Teen Services for information.



Relocation Information *in the* *Hanau Military Community*



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There are a number of agencies involved in the relocation process to assist incoming personnel. The Relocation Assistance Program at Army Community Service (ACS) provides welcome packets to newcomers. These packets are full of valuable information about events in the Hanau area. ACS also maintains an installation library containing welcome packets from military installations throughout the world. These packets can provide you with all the information to help you prior to your arrival in Hanau and to prepare you for a smooth transition when you PCS to your next duty station.

The Relocation Program offers a Newcomers' Orientation to give new members of the community a taste of the exciting area into which they have moved. Participants learn the basics about trains, buses, the market, parking, and dining out in Germany. Additionally, the Greeter Program will assist your family with your move and transition to Germany.

The Greeter will in-process your spouse and family into the community while you conduct your military in-processing.

Civilians and military members are authorized sponsors to assist them with the relocation process. Civilian employees may contact the Hanau CPAC to request a sponsor. Service members may go to the Sponsorship Gateway to Europe website at

www.sgate.hqusareur.army.mil. This site allows service members to find out their pin-point assignment, communicate with their gaining unit and link with a variety of web-based resources. The Relocation Readiness Program at ACS provides resources to sponsors as well as incoming personnel. Be sure to contact your local ACS or the Hanau ACS with any questions.

Lending Closet

While you're waiting for your household goods to arrive, bring a copy of your

orders to the Lending Closet and they'll be happy to lend you dishes, pots and pans and basic kitchen items to help you settle into your new home. Some basic items for children are also available — port-a-cribs, strollers, car seats and high chairs. Lending Closets are available at Hanau ACS in Building 9 on Pioneer Kaserne and at the Büdingen Outreach Center in Building 2207 on Armstrong Kaserne. The Lending Closet does not have linens for loan due to health regulations.

In-transit Emergencies

The Passenger Reservation Center at Scott Air Force Base assists soldiers and family members traveling to and from overseas tours on official orders. Typical actions handled include requests for leave extensions, arranging or changing port calls, resolving passport and visa problems and arranging next-of-kin overseas travel under invitational travel orders.

The center is staffed Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Time. In an emergency, there is a duty NCO who will respond to the automated answering system. All emergency calls will be returned within one hour. The Center can be reached by calling 1-800-851-3144.

Financial Preparedness

Moving to Germany need not be expensive. Many of the costs are off-set by the Cost of Living Allowance, Move-in Housing Allowance and a Living Quarters Allowance. MIHA is a flat payment for miscellaneous expenses that military personnel with families living in government owned or leased quarters incur.

If you decide to live in off-post housing your lease must be approved by the housing manager. To live off-post you'll be expected to pay a 1300 - 1500 euros deposit (around two times the monthly rent) which is put in an interest-bearing escrow account and returned to you (with interest) if no damages are found when you leave. You'll also need to make

deposits to utility companies (electricity or gas). The average unfurnished apartment or house in Germany will rent as a bare dwelling. Most German apartments do not include ceiling lights, appliances or window screens. The furniture office will supply furniture and appliances as available.

If you decide to live in government quarters you will avoid deposits on rent and utilities, but you'll have other move-in expenses. A deposit of about 55 euros will be required for a telephone. There's always the cost of buying groceries, supplies, curtains, etc.

A large expenditure will be automobile insurance. This is considerably higher than in the U.S. Average insurance costs are \$80-150 a month for one car. Rates will depend on the type of car and your own driving record. Liability insurance is required. Check your current insurer and ask for a letter stating the length of time you have been insured and the types of claims you have had. This letter could help reduce the amount of insurance you'll pay.

You may also need money for a rental car until your POV arrives. If you don't have a vehicle you may need to purchase a car over here. Consider these needs when deciding how much money to bring with you.

You may want to bring about \$1500 with you to help cover items you forget to ship, broken and lost items, or for setting up house.

Financial Counseling

Consumer and financial counseling services and Army Emergency Relief are available. AER provides emergency financial assistance to service members, families, retirees, widows/widowers and orphans of service members. Assistance is provided in the form of interest-free loans, grants or a combination loan/grant. AER college scholarships are available for children and spouses of service members serving OCONUS. Financial Readiness provides information about debt liquidation, personal budgeting, consumer affairs, and other financial matters. A financial counselor can work with you to improve your financial status and to plan

for your future. Financial Readiness has listings of long distance call plans, mobile phone plans and internet service providers to assist new residents with making choices about services.

Contact the ACS Financial Readiness office at DSN 322-9027 or Army Emergency Relief at DSN 322-8097 for an appointment. You can also apply for loans at any Red Cross station at major airports or by seeing the Red Cross on Pioneer Kaserne.

Household Goods

In-Bound Shipments

Personnel who have shipped unaccompanied baggage or household goods should in-process as soon as possible with the Inbound Section of the Installation Transportation Personal Property Processing Office. To speed up the in-processing time bring one copy of each of the following: complete set of orders, to include amendments if applicable, inventory / shipping documents for UB and HHG, and DD Form 788 and POV shipping documents. Personnel who need to release property from storage should report to this office with all documents concerning the property in storage.

Household Goods

Out-bound Shipments

Plan Ahead. Personnel expecting orders can prepare for their reassignment by contacting the Out-bound Section of the Installation Transportation Office. Ask at the reception desk for an out-bound packet. Orders are not required to complete the paperwork, but are required to set up an appointment for shipment. Secure a packet and complete all forms to the best of your ability. Due to limited appointments, keep your scheduled appointment. If you require an exception to policy to any regulations, get busy; exceptions can add up to four weeks to your processing time. Army Pamphlet 55-2, "It's Your Move" can be printed from the website: <http://www.mtmc.mil/>. A weight estimator form can also be filled out on the MTMC website and turned in during the scheduled personal property briefing. Single soldiers living in the billets may request 1,000 pounds of additional weight entitlement above the authorized weight

listed in the table below. Requests must be in writing addressed to the ITO for approval.

Household Goods Weight Allowances

Your weight allowance is the maximum weight that can be moved at government expense under the Joint Federal Travel Regulations. Related to your pay grade, this allowance includes the weight of household goods you ship, place in storage and send as unaccompanied baggage. You, not the transportation officer or carrier, are responsible for staying within this weight allowance. If the weight of items packed, shipped and stored exceeds that amount you must pay all charges connected with the excess weight. For this reason, estimating the weight of your household goods is very important.

Estimates should start early, even before you visit your transportation office to set up the move. The counselor at your transportation office will ask how much weight you will be shipping. An easy and fairly dependable method for making this estimate is to figure 1,000 pounds per room (not including storage rooms or bathrooms) and then add the estimated weight of large appliances and items in a garage, storage rooms and basement. As a double check later in the movement process, count the number of items on the inventory form used by the carrier. Then multiply the number by 40 pounds.

This is another rule-of-thumb method for estimating the weight of your shipment. If, while your goods are being packed and loaded, there is evidence that the shipment will exceed your weight allowance, you may want to call your transportation office. They can estimate the costs associated with your excess weight. This way you will be prepared for the extra charges you'll have to pay.

If you're separating from the service and will not remain in a pay status, excess cost must be paid in advance of this shipment. In some overseas areas administrative weight allowances are set on the amount of household goods that can be shipped at government expense. If you're being provided government

furniture, for example, the government will not pay to ship your full JFTR weight allowance.

If you're affected by an administrative weight allowance, the counselor at your transportation office will let you know how many pounds you can ship. The chart below is for a three-year tour.

Grade	Allowance w/Dependents	Allowance w/o Dependents
E1	5,000	1,500
E2	5,000	1,500
E3	5,000	2,000
E4	8,000/7,000	7,000/3,500
E5	9,000	7,000
E6	11,000	8,000
E7	12,500	10,500
E8	13,500	11,000
E9	14,500	12,000
W-1	12,000	10,000
W-2	13,500	12,500
W-3	14,500	13,000
W-4	17,000	14,000
O-1	12,000	10,000
O-2	13,500	12,500
O-3	14,500	13,000
O-4	17,000	14,000
O-5	17,500	16,000
O-6+	18,000	18,000

Privately Owned Vehicles In-bound Shipments

Shipping Privately Owned Vehicles

U.S. Customs requires personnel to have a copy of the title to their vehicle. The title must include the vehicle identification number or, if the vehicle does not have a VIN, the product identification number. If there's a lien on the vehicle, there must be written approval from the lien holder.

All personnel must have their car registration and proof of car insurance in order to ship POVs. If the vehicle is delivered by someone other than the service member, there must be a signed letter of authorization, simple power of attorney or other acceptable evidence. The agent must have proper identification and all other documentation required to ship the POV. POVs must have no more than 1/4 tank of fuel.

Personnel who shipped a POV at government expense should provide the ITO PPPO with a copy of their orders and the DD Form 788 shipping document. An informational paper and directions to Mainz-Kastel, where you'll

pick-up your vehicle, are available at the PPPO.

A list of POVs available for pick-up is maintained at the PPPO. This list is not updated daily; it is updated only when vehicles arrive at the Vehicle Processing Center and are available for pick-up. Information regarding the status of POV shipments also can be obtained on the website: www.wherismypov.com.

In general, unless there is a problem with the POV, this concludes the assistance provided by the PPPO. Personnel should be prepared to pick up their vehicle by bringing a valid ID card, USAREUR driver's license, copy of DD form 788 Private Vehicle Shipping Document, a complete set of keys and a Power of Attorney if a spouse or agent picks up the vehicle.

Registration

Once the POV has arrived you must obtain a USAREUR registration. To register vehicles, you must have DD form 788, original double white insurance card, vehicle registration application form, stateside registration or title, valid ID card, valid USAREUR driver's license and a \$20 check or money order. You have five working days after receiving your temporary USAREUR license plates to have your vehicle inspected.

The Vehicle Registration Office is located on Pioneer Kaserne, Building 48, DSN 322-8335 / 8115. To register a POV, you must have a USAREUR POV driver's license (to get USAREUR license plates), auto insurance and have passed the vehicle inspection. German law requires a standard first-aid kit and warning triangle in all POVs. Before buying insurance, soldiers should see their unit commander and be briefed on the difference between German and American tariff rates. Auto insurance is expensive in Germany. For more information, go to www.wherismypov.com.

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Out-bound Shipments

Customers shipping a POV should report to the ITO PPPO upon receipt of orders. Only one POV is authorized for shipment. Arrangements for shipment of

a POV are made at the same time as the transportation appointment for shipment of household goods. DD Form 1797, Personal Property Counseling Checklist is prepared by the PPPO for shipment of the customer's POV. It's the responsibility of the customer to then contact the Mainz Kastel VPC to arrange for an appointment.

Before making an appointment at the PPPO, your POV must have an EPA / DOT sticker affixed to it. Customers shipping a vehicle at their own expense are encouraged to research the possibilities as the transportation clerks do not have information about these services. A motorcycle can be shipped as a POV or can be included in a household goods shipment. When included in a household goods shipment, another vehicle can be shipped at government expense if authorized on the PCS orders.

Transporting Pets

Animal registration and immunization of pets owned by military and U.S. civilians is required by USAREUR regulation. Owners must register pets within two weeks of arrival in Hanau. Pets are required to have a current rabies shot (less than 12 months prior to arrival). It's recommended that all vaccinations be up-to-date. Please hand carry all records. Pets require a health certificate issued within 10 days of flying. Pet space is not always available through AMC. Remember that many airlines have restriction on flying pets during the summer and under specific weather conditions. Be prepared to make alternate arrangements. Consult the airline for more specific information. Enlist the help of your sponsor to help resolve any animal import concerns.

According to new laws passed by the German government, certain breeds of dogs, categorized as "fighting dogs" are under general prohibitions against breeding, trading and obtaining. The specific breeds involved and the specific prohibitions differ according to the state of residence. U.S. citizens under the jurisdiction of the U.S. military must comply with these laws.

For the most current information, contact the Hanau Veterinarian Clinic, DSN 322-8160.

Germany does not quarantine dogs or cats. Their law requires that pets must be vaccinated for rabies annually and the certificate kept current. An identification tag must be worn on the animal at all times and, when not confined, dogs must be on a leash. Pet owners should bring veterinary records with them during inprocessing. The Hanau Vet Clinic cannot provide emergency care. A list of local veterinarians that provide full services is available at the Hanau Vet Clinic. Most German doctors speak some English or have English-speaking personnel.

PCS Reporting Procedures

After in-processing through the 64th Replacement Detachment at Rhein Main Air Force Base near Frankfurt, you'll travel to Hanau by bus. If you're picked up from Frankfurt airport by your sponsor, you must in-process through the 64th Replacement Detachment and then proceed to the In-processing Training Center, Building 20 on Pioneer Kaserne. Following a short briefing and collection of records and documents, you'll be released to your unit. Your sponsor should meet you at ITC to transport you to your lodging. Civilians will not in-process through the 64th Replacement Detachment and will be picked up at the airport by their sponsors. You'll spend your second day in-processing into your unit. On the third day you'll return to ITC and start community in-processing.

The first stop is the Central Processing Facility, Building 21. These items are required to in-processing at the CPF: reassignment orders, amendments, and endorsements from the 64th RRD, military personnel records or related documents for officers, assignment memorandum issued at unit on the first day, medical, dental and veterinary records, finance packet, receipts for all travel expenses and statements of non-availability of government quarters assignment, your unit mailing address, DA Form 4187 from unit authorizing BAS for SSG and below, and a completed DD form 2560 if requesting advance pay.

After in-processing at the CPF you'll return to ITC for 5 - 10 days of

community orientation and training. When released from ITC, all of your immediate personal and professional affairs should be in order. Family members are met by the a "Greeter" who attends to any immediate needs.

Spouses are encouraged to participate in the community in-processing briefing. Child care is not provided at ITC, so register online prior to your arrival. Personnel attending ITC classes may utilize hourly childcare slots at the CDCs once their child has been registered with CLEOS.

These slots may also be utilized by spouses needing to take the driver's orientation and license exam. Family members arriving on deferred travel are required to report to the CPF, with their sponsor, within five duty days following arrival for supplemental in-processing..

Out-processing Procedures

The Hanau Central Processing Facility (CPF) recognizes that transitioning can often times be very difficult. To alleviate stress and to make your move flow smoothly the CPF Out-processing office has several services to assist you. For more information, stop by Building 21 or go online to www.hanau.army.mil. There you'll find helpful tips and can download an out-processing packet.

Upon receipt of orders, service members are required to drop off a copy at the CPF office for pre-clearance. Approximately 12 business days from departure date, service members must bring a printed copy of their flight itinerary to the Out-processing office to pick up official clearance record. After obtaining all required signatures, Soldiers will return for their scheduled final-out appointment. At this time, they'll receive all required documentation and the final cleared stamp from the CPF.

The Hanau CPF Out-processing office is located in Building 21, Room 14 on Pioneer Kaserne. Office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday; closed for lunch from 11:30 - 12:30 p.m. Out-processing briefings are held

at the ITC, Building 20, Room 4A.

Reservations are not needed and the briefings are open to all Soldiers that are departing from the community within 120 days. Service members can obtain information from all agencies on how to best clear the community with little to no complications. Spouses are encouraged to attend and orders are not required.

Lodging

Temporary Accommodations

The main reception desk for Hanau Lodging is located at the Argonner Inn on New Argonner Kaserne. The desk is open 24 hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week, except holidays. Holiday hours will be posted.

Argonner Inn is primarily for use by single persons and couples, however families may be placed in adjacent rooms. The inn offers guests comfortable rooms with private baths, a TV, VCR, clock radio, commercial telephone, iron, ironing board, hair dryer and a small refrigerator. Two VIP suites and one junior suite are available for ranks O6 and above.

Pioneer Inn is intended for use by families consisting of three or more people. Each of these apartments consists of a large living / dining area, kitchen, private baths and up to four bedrooms. Laundry facilities are located in the building and several playgrounds are nearby. These units are fully furnished and come with TV, VCR, clock radio, commercial telephone, iron, ironing board, and hair dryer.

Reservations

Although you can contact Army Lodging at 1-800-GO-ARMY-1 for information, it's recommended that when booking a room you

contact the Hanau Lodging main office directly at 011-49-6181-9550 / 1700 or DSN 322-1700.

Reservations can be made up to 60 days in advance but are subject to prioritized placement guidelines, which are open to all ID card holders. When making reservations, have all personal information available such as social security number,

arrival and departure dates, number of people, pets and special needs. In case of non-availability Hanau Lodging will provide phone numbers and assistance with nearby German hotels.

All individuals on orders must contact Hanau Lodging main reception at Argonner Inn for availability status or statements of non-availability.

Contact Hanau Lodging for current rates and charges. There are many support services for soldiers, DoD civilians, retirees and family members in the Hanau Military Community. Check with your local ACS for details. Lodging is located on New Argonner, Building 203 (Main Reception), 06181-9550 / 1700.





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Housing

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The Directorate of Public Works and the Housing Division staff are ready to assist you in finding your new home. You may contact the DPW at DSN 322-1560 or the Housing Division at DSN 322-8982.

To reach either the DPW or Housing Division from the states, dial civ 011-49-6181-88-1560. The 414th BSB website has a great deal of information at:

<http://www.hanau.army.mil>.

It contains an extensive section on the Housing Division including floor plans of some of our quarters, the Residents' Guide and Frequently Asked Questions. Housing and post information is also posted at:

<http://www.onestoparmy.com/>.

There are nine housing areas in Hanau, including leased housing, totaling 2,207 housing units for all military grades. Housing areas are within a 5 to 30 minutes drive of the duty stations. Waiting lists are established for each bedroom and grade category. There are no specific location waiting lists. A person cannot request a waiting list for a particular housing area.

To be eligible for family housing, a service member must be granted command sponsorship and be accompanied by the family members. Dependent travel authorization must be requested and approved before the family members arrive in Germany.

Failure to meet these requirements may result in government

housing not being available for your family.

Once you arrive, community in-processing at the In-processing Training Center and the Central Processing Facility is mandatory. During this process, the Housing Office is on your agenda. The housing division provides centralized management of all installation housing functions including

the assignment of government-controlled housing. When you come to the Housing In-processing Office, the housing counselor will take your application. Based on the information in your orders, you will be placed on the appropriate waiting list.

Government Housing and Government Leased Housing

There are multiple housing areas in Hanau, including leased housing, for all military grades. Waiting lists are established for each bedroom and grade category, so there are no specific location waiting lists. You are placed on the waiting list according to your eligibility date (date cleared last duty station) and the number of command sponsored dependents. Therefore, a person cannot request a waiting list for a particular housing area.

If you were on a restricted tour, your eligibility date is the date you cleared your last CONUS duty station or a maximum of 14 months previous from when your restricted tour ended. Personnel must provide supporting documentation with promotion sequence number or orders verifying (P) status for housing based on promotable status.

All quarters meet the adequacy standards established by regulation. The number of bedrooms and minimum square footage required by regulation are:

1 bedroom quarters - 550 sq. ft.

2 bedroom quarters - 750 sq. ft.

3 bedroom quarters - 960 sq. ft.

4 bedroom quarters - 1190 sq. ft.

The majority of the housing in the Hanau Community is multiplex apartment buildings, consisting of three stairwells. Normally, six to eight families share a three to four floor stairwell entrance. Apartments have limited space for large quantities of oversized furniture. Most apartments have a living room / dining room combination, with smaller than

average bedrooms. Kitchens are generally small and will not accommodate a separate kitchen table. Our housing assets do not allow personnel extra bedrooms due to excess furniture.

For additional information on housing in our community, see the army website: <http://www.onestoparmy.com/>.

The standard voltage in Europe is 220V. Newly renovated buildings and some of our older government housing units have both 110V and 220V outlets. Most small appliances will work with a transformer. Extreme caution should be taken when using transformers.

Housing units are equipped with a stove and refrigerator. Newly renovated buildings have dishwashers and washers and dryers in them. Most of our buildings have common laundry facilities located in the basement of each building. There is no separate charge for use of washers and dryers; it's included with your government housing.

Government leased housing is made up of apartments, row houses, quad and duplex housing. All leased quarters are equipped with a stove and refrigerator. Laundry facilities are located in the quarters. Leased housing is currently located in Erlensee, Langensebold, Altenstadt, Klein Auheim, and Hanau.

Due to the lack of excess government quarters, civilians who are not designated as Key and Essential must seek off-post private rental housing.

Housing Rentals

Do not seek a private realty company. First, go to the Community Home finding Relocation and Referral Services Office (CHRRS) located in the Housing Division on Pioneer Kaserne for assistance in obtaining housing. Single houses are hard to find; apartments are the standard type of housing in our area. CHRRS has a standard lease agreement for use with economy housing. Most landlords require 2-3 month's rent in advance as a security deposit. This is in addition to the first month's rent. Utilities are more expensive than in the U.S. Apartments are much smaller than American apartments

and most do not have built-in closets or kitchens. Americans living in economy housing should secure household insurance. Insurance on pets is required. A military clause must be in the contract and is strictly enforced.

Barracks

Barracks are located on Pioneer, Fliegerhorst, Hutier, Underwood and Armstrong Kasernes. Soldiers living in barracks need to know that units no longer issue linens to Soldiers. Dining facilities are located on these kasernes.

Furniture

Support from the Furniture Support Center is authorized for military and civilian personnel with orders stationing them in the Hanau or Büdingen Military Communities. If you're traveling on full JTR or you're a civilian on orders, you're authorized a 90-day loan of government furniture. Temporary furniture may be obtained from FSC when available, while you wait for your household goods to arrive. To be eligible for FSC support you must reside in government quarters, government controlled leased or economy quarters with the lease approved by the Housing Office. The type of furniture issued includes beds, wardrobes, dining tables and chairs, coffee tables, davenports, easy chairs, etc.

Pets

Dog owners need to be aware of host nation laws regarding their animals. Some breeds of dogs are considered dangerous and must be registered with the German authorities. These breeds must be registered annually and may be required to pass personality testing. For a listing of these breeds go to: www.unweltamt-hanau.de, and click on Allgemeines Ordnungsrecht, then click on Gefährliche Hunde. Although this website is in German, it lists the breeds in English.

The pet policy for USAREUR allows government housing residents to have no more than two pets, either two dogs or two cats or one dog and one cat. Exotic and farm animals are not allowed; snakes, lizards, pigs, etc. Your dog or cat is required to be registered with the post veterinarian and must wear rabies tags

at all times. Kennel style operations or the breeding of pets is not allowed in government quarters. German law assigns absolute liability to the owner of a pet. Pet insurance is available in Germany. Pets must be on leashes at all times when outside of the quarters. Additionally, the law in Germany is very strict concerning pet feces with fines up to 100 euros for violations.

Housing Allowances

The Basic Allowance for Housing rate is based on many factors, rental costs by location, pay grade and the number of dependents. The intent of this allowance is to provide service members housing compensation based on comparable civilian cost of housing.

For housing allowance, per diem, travel and transportation allowances, see www.dtic.mil/perdiem.

If you have questions or need further assistance call these finance offices:
Customer Services DSN 322-8805;
Processing

DSN 322-8938; In- / Out-processing
DSN 322-8420; Travel DSN 322-8414.

Telephone

There're no free local calls as in the States. The cost of each call varies based on the length of the call, the time of day and the distance of the call. There is also a basic charge for monthly service and a one-time installation fee. The TKS store in the PX on Wolfgang Kaserne will assist you. They'll contact the Telekom in your city to establish your account. They'll also make sure your bills are in English. There're also English speakers at Telekom.

In Hanau, the Telekom Office is located on Hirschstraße. When establishing your telephone service, you may want to request an itemized bill. You'll be charged a small fee, but it's worth it. Without an itemized bill, you have no way to dispute your telephone bill or monitor your expenses. When you establish your Telekom service, you may want to establish a separate long distance service.

There're several independent companies with varying rates for stateside calls. Ask your colleagues and check local advertisements when choosing your long distance service. The Financial Readiness Program Manager at ACS has a listing of services available. You may want to consider obtaining a pre-paid calling card. Long distance phone cards obtained in the States are not valid in Germany.

Electricity

You will not have an electric bill if you live in government controlled quarters. It is, however, your responsibility to conserve resources as much as possible. If you live in private leased housing, you may need to connect and pay for electricity. Each city has its own electric company office. The Electric Company (Stadtwerke) Office in Hanau is located on Leipziger Strasse, (06181) 274-211. Your electric bill will be averaged throughout the year based on the prior occupant's average usage. Once a year, a final bill will be established and the usage average will be adjusted. There are English speakers at the electric company to assist you. The standard voltage in Europe is 220V.

Television

English language cable television is available for government quarters. The Hanau Telekom (TKS) office is located on Wolfgang Kaserne (06181) 520538. The Büdingen Office is located on Armstrong Kaserne, Building 2205. Basic cable includes the Cartoon Network, Turner Classic Movies, NBC, EuroSport, MTV, CNN, multiple American Forces Network channels. There's a monthly fee for basic cable.

Sewage and Water

Sewage and water connection billing only applies to private rental housing. The Community Homefinding Relocation Referral Services offices will provide the connection information based upon your contractual requirements.

Units *in the* *Hanau Military Community*



Unlike many installations in the United States where all units fall under the same command, tenant units within the 414th BSB fall under the command of several major commands.

Each of the kasernes within the 414th has its own major unit.

130th Engineer Brigade

Pioneer Kaserne is the home of the 130th Engineer Brigade, a V Corps asset. The 130th Engineer Brigade was constituted on May 5, 1943 as the 1303rd Engineer General Services Regiment. It was activated on July 15, 1943 at Camp Ellis, Illinois. The Regiment played an important role during World War II with campaign credit for Normandy, North France, Rhineland, Ardennes-Alsace, Central Europe and the Asian-Pacific Theatre.

The Regiment was inactivated on July 8, 1955 and its elements allocated to the regular Army. It was redesignated as HHC, 130th Engineer Aviation Brigade in Japan and subsequently inactivated on June 25, 1956. On June 16, 1969, HHC 130th Engineer Aviation Brigade was redesignated as HHC, 130th Engineer Brigade, and activated in Hanau, Germany. During Desert Shield, Desert Storm, 130th Engineer Brigade sent several battalions to Southwest Asia. From December 1995 to January 1996, all units in the Brigade, except the 320th Engineer Company deployed to Croatia or Bosnia-Herzegovina in support of Operation Joint Endeavor.

The current Brigade organization consists of the 54th Engineer Battalion (Bamberg, Germany), the 94th Engineer Battalion (Vilseck, Germany) the 565th Engineer Battalion, to include the 38th, 320th, and 502nd Engineer Company as well as HHC, 130th Engineer Brigade located in Hanau, Germany.

16th Combat Support Battalion 4th Aviation Brigade

Fliegerhorst is the home of 4th Brigade, 1st Armored Division. The 4th Brigade

was constituted on April 16, 1986 in the Regular Army at Ansbach, Germany. Named the "Iron Eagle Brigade," it originally provided command and control for the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, the 501st Attack Helicopter Battalion, the 220th Assault Helicopter Company and the 224th Assault Helicopter Company. In December 1990, the "Iron Eagle Brigade" deployed to Southwest Asia with the 1st Armored Division to support Operation Desert Shield. In February 1991 the Brigade participated in Operation Desert Storm with 1st Armored Division as part of VII Corps and engaged Iraqi units including the Republican Guard.



In September 1991, 4th Brigade colors were relocated from Ansbach to Erlensee, Germany. 4th Brigade assumed command of the battalions of the 227th Aviation Regiment and the 4th Squadron, 7th Cavalry, which were formerly under the control of the Combat Aviation Brigade, 3rd Armored Division. On October 21, 1991, the 4th Squadron, 7th Cavalry was redesignated as the 1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry.

From December 1995 to December 1996, 4th Brigade was deployed to Bosnia-Herzegovina as part of a multinational peace implementation force

during Operation Joint Endeavor. Aviation Task Force Comanche was the command and control headquarters for 120 Task Force Eagle helicopters that flew 33,000 hours to compel peace in the war-ravaged Balkans. On February 28, 1997 4th Brigade redesignated its affiliation from the 227th Aviation Regiment to the 501st Aviation Regiment.

From June 2000 to June 2001, 4th Brigade was again called upon to enforce peace in the Balkans. The Brigade deployed two Task Forces, Knightmare and Dragon to Kosovo. The overwhelming success of this operation helped stabilize the region and saved countless lives.

From April 2003 until April 2004 the Brigade deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom where they played a significant role in the security and stabilization of Iraq and its people. The Brigade consists of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, the 1-501st Aviation Battalion (Flying Dragons), the 2-501st Aviation Battalion (Iron Knights), the 1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry (Blackhawks), the 69th Chemical Company (Triple Threat) and is supported by the 127th Aviation Support Battalion (Workhorse).

39th Finance Battalion

Pioneer Kaserne is also the home of the 39th Finance Battalion. The 39th Finance Battalion was part of the expansion of finance services required during World War II. It was first constituted on June 26, 1942 as the Detachment Finance 6055-S. During World War II, the 39th participated in three campaigns - Central Europe, the Rhineland and Northern France.

After the end of World War II, the unit was inactivated Oct. 4, 1946. With the onset of the Korean conflict, the 39th was again activated on Dec. 20, 1951 in Frankfurt, Germany. During Operations Desert Shield / Desert Storm, the 39th Finance Support Unit deployed half of the unit to Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. On Oct. 1, 1992, the 39th Finance Battalion was designated. Recently, the 39th Finance Battalion has provided support to U.S. Army deployments to Bosnia, Croatia, Macedonia, Southwest Asia, and Somalia.

The 39th Finance Battalion is headquartered in Hanau, with detachments in Hanau, Darmstadt, and Giessen.

709th Military Police Battalion

The 709th Military Police Battalion has served in Europe for over 56 years. The unit was first activated on April 9, 1942 at Camp Niatic, Connecticut. Originally, their mission was to protect portions of New England. Early in 1943, the battalion was selected to guard German POWs from North Africa and escort them to internment facilities. On July 25, 1944, the battalion left the U.S. to take part in the Normandy invasion on Omaha Beach. On August 29, 1944, the battalion entered Paris. In October 1945, the unit moved to Frankfurt, Germany. In March 1953, the battalion assumed all military police service support throughout the newly created Northern Area Command. During Operations Desert Shield / Desert Storm, the battalion played an important role in securing rail cars and convoys designated for ports of embarkation while providing law enforcement and personnel security to communities within Germany.

In 1991, the battalion deployed to Northern Iraq in support of Operation Provide Comfort. In September 1994, the battalion moved its headquarters from Frankfurt, Germany to Hanau. In December 1994, the battalion deployed to Croatia in support of Operation Joint Endeavor, providing security and support to the initial bridge-building operations over the Sava. Within the last two years, the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment has deployed three companies to Bosnia-Herzegovina and two companies and the Battalion Headquarters to Kosovo.

5/7 Air Defense Artillery Battalion

5/7 Air Defense Artillery is located on Underwood Kaserne, the newest kaserne in the 414th BSB. Their history dates back to March 8, 1898 when E Battery, 7th Regiment of Artillery was constituted. On June 14, 1944 they were disbanded. On June 28, 1950 they were reconstituted as Battery A, 26th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion, an element of 24th Infantry Division. On October 15, 1957 the battalion was inactivated. The battalion was reactivated on September 1, 1958 at Tappan, New York. On December 20, 1965 the unit was redesignated as 5th Battalion, 7th Artillery. On November 30, 1968 the battalion was inactivated at Tappan, New York. It was again activated on December 17, 1988 at Fort Bliss, Texas.

The unit has participated in numerous campaigns including the Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes-Alsace and Central Europe campaigns of World War II, the Korean conflict and the cease fire of Operation Desert Storm.

1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry

Armstrong Kaserne, Büdingen, Germany is the home of 1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry. The history of the 1/1 CAV is long and honorable. In 1832, Henry Dodge organized a battalion of mounted Rangers to fight in the Black Hawk Indian War. For over 60 years they guarded the American frontier and fought with numerous tribes during the Indian Wars. They fought at Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Spotsylvania, Cold Harbor, Shenandoah, Petersburg and Appomattox during the Civil War. During the Spanish American War, they fought at Santiago. During World War I they protected the Mexican border from Pancho Villa's troops. They last mounted review as a regiment of Horse Cavalry on December 14, 1932. In 1969, the Air Cavalry Troop joined the squadron. During the Vietnam War, the unit remained in the field continuously, taking part in 13 campaigns and receiving two Valorous Unit Awards and three Vietnamese Crosses of Gallantry. In 1978, the squadron again performed the frontier mission as they guarded the international border between the Federal Republic of Germany and Czechoslovakia.

The squadron led 1st Armor Division's attack into Iraq during Operation Desert Storm in February 1991. They were also the first Task Force Eagle unit to cross the Sava River into Bosnia.

Famous former members of 1/1 CAV include the founder, Colonel Henry Dodge, Colonel Stephen Kearney (the father of American Cavalry) Colonel Adna J. Chaffee (later General and known as the father of American Armor), Second Lieutenant Jefferson Davis (later President of the Confederacy), Kit Carson, Captain John Pershing (one of the few men in U.S. history to hold the rank of General of the Armies) and Captain Jonathan Wainwright (later General and a Medal of Honor winner).

Community Services *in the Hanau Military Community*



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Army Community Service Outreach Centers

The Büdingen Outreach Center is a satellite office of the 414th BSB ACS. Residents of Büdingen can access all ACS services at this location. It offers life skills, parent education and prenatal classes. It's also home to several support groups, including the 1-1 Cavalry Family Support Groups. Stop in for more information on their loan closet, orientation tours, job information and more.

Wolfgang Outreach Center, Wolfgang Kaserne, Building 514, DSN 322-5311

Family Outreach Center (Büdingen), Armstrong Kaserne, Building 2207, DSN 321-4786

Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Program

Also known as the Community Counseling Center, ADAPCP provides alcohol and drug abuse screening, counseling and referral services on an out-patient basis. They provide education as well as individual and group counseling. Pioneer Kaserne, Building 3, DSN 322-8354/8762.

ADAPCP and CCC – Büdingen, Armstrong Kaserne, Building 2237, DSN 321-4830

Educational and Developmental Intervention Services

Formerly the EFMP Clinic, EDIS provides medically related services to children who are on an IEP in school. They also provide screening and testing as well as early intervention for special needs of infants and children under the age of three. New Argonner Kaserne, Building 246, DSN 322-8213

Family Advocacy Program

The mission of the Family Advocacy Program at ACS is to prevent spouse and child abuse, to encourage the reporting of all abuse cases, to protect victims of abuse, to treat all family members

affected by or involved in abuse and to encourage voluntary self-referral through education and awareness programs.

Pioneer Kaserne, Building 9, DSN 322-9526

Social Work Services

SWS offers individual, family and group counseling primarily for spouse and child abuse situations. Most of their cases require command referral. Other counseling services are offered on a space available basis. Pioneer Kaserne, Building 26, DSN 322-9027/8766

American Red Cross

Offering emergency services to the military community, the Red Cross is a vital link to families around the world. Courses are offered on topics such as baby-sitting, CPR, first aid and Healthy Pregnancy Healthy Baby. Adult and youth volunteers assist throughout the community including at the medical and dental dispensaries, veterinary clinic, housing, schools, libraries, AIDS awareness programs, casework and more. Pioneer Kaserne, Building 4. DSN 322-1760 / 8205.

USO

The USO supports military personnel and their families stationed overseas with German-American activities, low-cost tours, support groups, musical entertainment and more. Pioneer Kaserne, Building 4. DSN 322-8725

Religious Activities

A complete listing of services can be obtained at the chaplain's office. These include Collective and Gospel Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish, Islamic, Church of God in Christ, United Pentecostal, Church of Christ and Seventh Day Adventist services. In addition to church services there are women's, men's, youth groups and religious education classes.

For more information contact the 414th Base Support Staff Chaplain at DSN 322-1570.

Education Center

The Education Center offers classes through several colleges and universities. They have information on many Associates, Bachelor's, Master's and Ph.D. Degree programs available. For those interested in technical and vocational skills, they also have programs geared toward those needs.

The Education Center staff also assists soldiers who are deploying with continuing their education during their deployment. Conversational German classes are offered periodically through the Education Center. Pioneer Kaserne, Building 11, DSN 322-8380.

Employment Readiness Program

The Employment Readiness Program helps military and civilian spouses and family members prepare for and to find employment in Germany. This program provides counseling and classes to help people complete applications and prepare for interviews. Emphasis is placed on resume writing, government applications, NAF applications and AAFES employment. Call for information about classes or for an individual appointment, Pioneer Kaserne, Building 9, DSN 322-9524.

Army Career Alumni Program

Army Career and Alumni Program integrates all transition activities. The program is designed to provide benefit information and services for transitioning soldiers, DoD civilians and family members. The program ensures that clients have information on career options, benefits earned through military service and also provides training and assistance in finding post-Army employment. ACAP offices have up-to-date computers to access employers and job markets and also have resources to video record practice interviews. Pioneer Kaserne, Building 11, DSN 322-8356

Army Emergency Relief

AER provides emergency financial assistance to service members, families, retirees and widows and orphans of service members. Assistance is provided with interest-free loans, grants or a

combination. AER scholarships are available for children and spouses of service members. AER is on Pioneer Kaserne, Building 9 with the ACS. DSN 322-8587

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers in the 414th BSB is designed to discuss, develop and present strategies for issues affecting Soldiers' leisure-time activities. Its goal is to raise the morale and improve the quality of life for soldiers residing in the barracks.

BOSS maintains a direct line of communication between MWR, AAFES and other organizations and staff with the single Soldier. This program is run by single Soldiers for single Soldiers. The BOSS committee plans and organizes recreational and leisure activities for single Soldiers. Contact your first sergeant for more information.

Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR)

Morale, Welfare and Recreation primarily consists of community and family activities and is managed by the Director of Community Activities. MWR is your point of contact for most events in the Hanau community. MWR publishes a monthly magazine, Connection, for the 104th ASG. Connection Magazine will keep you informed of fests, activities, sporting events, arts and crafts classes, plays and shows, evening entertainment and more. The 414th BSB club system offers fine dining and a variety of evening entertainment.

American Sampler Craft Shop

The Arts and Crafts Center provides tools, instruction and supplies for industrial arts, woodworking and refinishing. The center specializes in quilting, ceramics, framing, photography, photo processing, portrait studio, plaque service, painting, drawing, rubber stamping, home decor, print-making, children's crafts and more. Wolfgang Kaserne, Building 545, DSN 322-9618

Fitness Centers

Pioneer Fitness Center, Pioneer Kaserne, Building 4, DSN 322-8197

Cardwell Fitness Center, Cardwell Housing Area, Building 1281, DSN 322-9546

Armstrong Fitness Center, Armstrong Kaserne, Building 2214, DSN 321-4737

Fliegerhorst Fitness Center, Fliegerhorst Kaserne, Building 1376, DSN 322-7672

Auto Crafts Center

The Auto Crafts Center offers classes and individual instruction to assist amateur and experienced mechanics in auto maintenance and repairs. The shop features seven lifts and complete tire and brake equipment, and professional equipment and tools are available. The Auto Crafts Center also has a towing service available at reasonable prices and covers a large area surrounding Hanau. Großauheim Kaserne, Building 625, DSN 322-8247

Libraries

Library materials include a wide selection of books, compact discs, video cassettes, DVDs, audio cassettes, catalogs, encyclopedias, foreign language books and cassettes and periodicals. Interlibrary loans from other USAREUR libraries are also offered.

The Library is constantly expanding its Internet stations. The main library also features word-processing computers. Programs include story hours for preschool children, and arts and crafts for children. Various displays that honor ethnic observances and special programs are presented throughout the year.

Hanau Library, Building 5, Second Floor, Pioneer Kaserne, DSN 322-8715 / 9033

Büdingen Library, Armstrong Kaserne, DSN 321-4739

Five Pfennig Dinner Theater and Dance Studio

This award-winning theater is always looking for actors, musicians, singers, dancers, ushers and technicians. Call or email if you're interested in participating. Shows are produced year-

round including musicals, comedies, dramas and children's theater. For those interesting in attending shows, there's a sneak preview (show only), opening night gala (with special menu, complimentary champagne and interaction with cast, etc), wine and cheese nights and regular dinner theater performances. Tickets are sold at the USO, the theater box office and by email at: 5pfennig@hanau.army.mil. Five Pfennig Theater, Building 405, Old Argonner Kaserne, DSN 322-8209.

Hanau Outdoor Recreation Center

Hanau Outdoor Recreation rents tents, canopies, cots, coolers, lanterns, sleeping bags, canoes, kayaks, life vests, bicycles, skis, fishing equipment, golf clubs, horseshoe sets and volleyballs. Outdoor Rec also rents vehicles from compact economy cars to station wagons and vans. Outdoor Recreation also features many trips in Europe including shopping trips, skiing trips and sightseeing trips. The center also provides reduced-rate tickets to play at local German golf courses. Old Argonner Kaserne, Building 459, DSN 322-8891.

Hessen Bowl

The Bowling Center offers a complete bowling program for beginners and experts, singles and families, serious and recreational bowlers. The bowling center rents shoes, sells soft drinks, food and miscellaneous bowling aids. Additionally, the bowling center hosts a Subway Subs shop and Smiley's Grill. Slots machines may also be played at the bowling center. Wolfgang Kaserne, Building 551, DSN 322-8638/8534.

Legal Assistance

The Hanau Legal Center (JAG) Office provides general legal assistance in personal legal matters for soldiers, their families and other authorized personnel. Pioneer Kaserne, Building 4, DSN 322-8993.

Transportation *in the Hanau Military Community*



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Privately Owned Vehicles

Vehicle Registration / Inspection

To register a POV, you must have a USAREUR POV driver's license, insurance and the vehicle must have passed inspection. German law requires a first-aid kit and warning triangle in all POVs. Before buying insurance, soldiers should see their unit commander to be briefed on the difference between German and American rates. Auto insurance is expensive in Germany. The Vehicle Registration Office is located on Pioneer Kaserne, Building 48, DSN 322-8335/8115. On the last day of each month, the office closes at 2 p.m. for inventory.

Where to get your car fixed

ATU (Auto Teile Unger) is a big chain in Germany and has several shops in Hanau.

Hanau-Grossauheim - Rodgaustraße 5, (0180) 527-2727, Open Monday to Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Gelnhausen - Luetzelhäuser Weg 3, (0180) 527-2727, Open Monday to Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Pit Stop

Hanau - Leipziger Strasse 59, (06181) 364-459, Open Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Maintal - Am spitzen Sand, Tel. (06181) 441697, Open Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Büdingen - An der Saline 19, (06042) 952581, Open Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Boxenstop

Hanau - Am Wallweg 2-4 (near Main-Kinzig-Center), (06181) 254567, Open Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Many gas stations also offer car repairs and various repair shops that accept all models.

Schrieber - Hanau-Grossauheim, Josef-Bautz-Strasse 7, (06181) 571122

1a Autoservice - Hanau, Nordstr. 40, (06181) 160202

Auto Weisser - Hanau, Friedberger Strasse 35 (near the Nordbahnhof), (06181) 14930

Driving in Germany

Autobahns

Although the German Autobahn system is one of the best highway systems in the world, traffic in Germany is typical of a congested city. During vacation periods and rush hours, the traffic on the Autobahn quickly backs up. A Stau (traffic jam) may occur at caution points, construction sites or during environmental test stretches and will normally be posted. While typically no speed limit is posted on an Autobahn, there is a suggested speed limit of 130 km/h (80 mph).

How to Get There

On the Internet you'll find several route planners for Germany and Europe in the English language. Just enter your starting and destination address and the system will provide a map and driving directions.

Try:

www.map24.de

www.viamichelin.com

www.mapquest.com

If you'd like to take your car to Frankfurt, it's recommended that you follow the Parkleitsystem you'll see on the main roads. This parking sign shows you which parking garages are available and still have parking spaces. The number next to each garage gives you the number of available parking spots.

Parking

The Parkscheinautomat (pronounced Park-shine-ow-toe-maht) Automat is a German parking ticket machine. If you park by a sign that says “nur mit Parkschein” or “Parkausweis”, you need a parkschein (parking ticket) or a parkausweis (parking permit). If your confused by the signs, check the other cars in the area. If they have a small piece of paper on the dashboard, you too need a Parkschein. Look around for the Parkscheinautomat.

Figure out how much time you need and look at the machine’s instructions. Check if you can park there as long as you need. In high-demand areas (such as at the airport), the times can be short (15 minutes) and expensive (1 euro). You’ll find this information as the minimums or maximums of either the money you insert or allowable duration of parking. Insert your money (the correct amount, it won’t give change), press the green button and you’re parking ticket will come out. Place your parkschein on the dashboard above the steering wheel, so the police can see that you’ve paid for the parking. Note the time on your Parkschein and be sure to return before your paid time expires.

There will probably be hours of operation posted on the machine or the sign at the parking area — Mo-Fr 9-17h. This means you must pay to park Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Outside of those times, parking is free.

The Parkscheibe (pronounced park-shibe-uh) is a blue cardboard or plastic dial that should always be in your car. When you see a sign saying something like: Nur mit Parkscheibe (parking only with parking disc), find your Parkscheibe, note the time you arrived and turn the dial until it shows that time. Put it on your dashboard so the police can see it. Now look to see how long you can park there, usually written under the “Nur mit Parkscheibe” sign, and return early enough to avoid a ticket.

A Parkhaus is a parking garage. At the entry gate there’s a machine that issues cards or tokens. You take the card / token from the machine and the gate will rise allowing you entry to the Parkhaus. Take the card / coin with you. When you

return, you must pay before you exit. Parkscheinautomats are usually by the Parkhaus doors. Insert your card / token and it will tell you how much you owe. After you pay the machine (these normally give change), it writes a digital signal into the card / token that you’ve paid and returns it to you. You’ll then have a few minutes to go get your car and drive out. At the exit (Ausfahrt) insert the card / token into a slot before and the exit gate will open. If you exceed the time allowed to exit, you’ll have to pay more. If you lose your Parkschein / token there will be an expensive penalty.

German Laws

Seat belts in Germany are mandatory for every person. You can be fined for not wearing seat belts and insurance companies can refuse to pay for injuries received in an accident if you were not wearing your seat belt. German law requires that infants and children under 12 or fewer than 49 pounds use a child-restraining device that meets German standards. Should you be requested by the German Polizei (police) to take an alcohol blood test, do not refuse. They can insist that you comply. Enjoy yourself, but when it’s time to go home, take a taxi, public transportation or ride with a designated driver.

Germany has a Good Samaritan Law that requires everyone, in case of an accident, common danger or distress to render all aid which could be expected. Failure to render aid can result in a fine or imprisonment. Drivers must notify MPs of accidents on U.S. installations. Drivers must notify German police and MPs if an accident occurs outside of a U.S. installation. Drivers involved in a single POV accident that results in property damage must report the accident immediately or face charges of hit and run. In case of an accident, if your car is disabled and cannot be moved, immediately place your warning triangle out to warn oncoming traffic. It should be placed at least one hundred meters away from your vehicle. Next, call the German police at telephone number 110 (or use the call box). The military police should also come to the accident scene. You’ll be required to give details concerning the incident. The military police will also need

you to fill out an accident report at the station. You have the right to get a lawyer before making any statements to the German authorities. You may be asked by the German police to sign an accident report. The best thing to do is to write on the report, "I do not speak or read German and I do not understand this report" before signing your name.

When driving on an Autobahn, if you have a breakdown, it's best to bring your car to the extreme right parking lane, called the Standspur. The Standspur is provided for emergency use only. On the Autobahn, you will find white posts at regular intervals. On these posts, small black arrows point the way to the nearest emergency box. These call boxes are located, at 1 km (.6 mile) intervals on the entire Autobahn system. Simply lift the shutter and wait until someone from the local highway service answers and give the number of the call box so they'll know where you're located.

Public Transportation

Germany has one of the best public transportation systems in Europe. Trains and buses are modern and fast, and taxis will move you quickly through dense areas of the cities. Taxi services are available and can be found outside each kaserne's main gate, although they're expensive. Most taxis start the meter at two euros and charge approximately one euro per kilometer. The 414th BSB shuttle bus runs weekdays (no holidays or weekends) with destinations including the Hanau Health Clinic, the Heidelberg Hospital, the PX and a number of the kasernes. Pick up the latest schedule at Hanau or Büdingen ACS or download it from

<http://www.hanau.army.mil>. A shuttle service to the Frankfurt Airport is provided by the Hanau United Service Organization for \$75. The shuttle service fee can be reimbursed with your travel expenses; save your receipts.

SATO

SATO is available for all your leisure travel needs — travel insurance, apartment / condo rentals, hotels, car rentals, package programs and individual city tour programs by rail, bus and air.

Rental Cars

Outdoor Recreation on Old Argonner Kaserne, Building 459 offers rental vehicles. You can rent a car while you wait for yours to arrive. Additionally, Sixt Car Rental on Wolfgang Kaserne, Building 523, is an AAFES vendor with many vehicle rental options.

Taxi Service

City taxis can be booked to meet you at a pre-arranged location

and time. Phone (06181) 19410 or (06181) 24111.

Bus

For the adventurous, try riding the bus on your own. You may purchase a 'Tageskarte' (day ticket), 'Einfache Fahrt' (one-way ticket) or 'Rückfahrkarte' (round-trip ticket). A day ticket allows you to ride any bus in the city of Hanau for one day. To purchase one-way or round-trip tickets, you'll need to tell the bus driver your destination.

Train

Germany has an extensive train system. The train network has several types of trains: the local public transportation trains, the regional trains and the ICE (InterCity Express) trains. The ICE trains are those high-speed, bullet-shaped trains that connect the major cities — i.e. Frankfurt to Berlin. They only stop at major cities. The regional trains are also fast and connect all the cities and towns in a large geographic area, for example Frankfurt to Hanau. You can take the inter-connected rail systems all over Germany and they interconnect the local public transportation with the larger systems. The City of Frankfurt's transportation system is called RMV and provides S-Bahn (local fast surface trains) U-Bahn (local underground trains) and buses.

Visit the RMV website at www.rmv.de and you'll learn about the use of the ticket machines, the routes and much more. You'll find the English section of that website by clicking on the button "New in RMV Region" and then you'll have a language selection. Train tickets may be purchased from the main ticket

office or ticket machines at the train station. Not all stations have a ticket office. Public transportation is excellent, timely and much easier than driving in many instances. Daytrips are especially interesting by train. The ride along the Rhine River from Wiesbaden to Cologne is particularly scenic.

Local trains are often more convenient than driving your car and you won't have to worry about traffic or the lack of parking in the cities. The Deutsch Bahn web site, <http://www.bahn.de>, offers an English language option and you can book your trip online.

Train vocabulary

Deutsche Bahn (DB) -

German national rail system

Bahnhof - train station

Hauptbahnhof - main train station

S-Bahn - local fast surface trains

U-Bahn - local underground trains

Zug - train

Fernzug - long distance train

Regionalzug - local or regional train

Gleis - train track

Fahrkarte or Fahrschein - train ticket

*Fahrkartenautomat or Fahrscheinautomat
- train ticket vending machine*

*Sprache - language (an English-language
menu on the ticket machine is normally
represented by a British flag)*

Bezahlen - to pay

Zahlung - payment method

Kreditkarte - credit card

Ankunft - arrival

Abfahrt - departure

Ziel - destination (literally goal)

Von - from (i.e. startpoint)

Nach - to (i.e. destination)

Hinfahrt - departure leg of a roundtrip

Rückfahrt - return leg of a roundtrip

Reise - tour or travel

Reiseplan - travel plan

Uhrzeit - time (i.e. of departure)

Datum - date

Getting around via train

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1.18	RB 15740	Langenselbold 1.21 Ⓞ Gelnhausen 1.34 – Wächtersbach 1.47	2	13.12	RB 15716	L	G
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4.47	RB 15701	Hanau Hbf 4.54 – Offenbach Hbf 5.03 – Frankfurt Süd 5.08 – Frankfurt Hbf 5.14 *nicht 14. Jun '01 - 30. Mai	2				
5.12	RB 15700	Langenselbold 5.15 Ⓞ		13.12	RB 15776	L	G
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How to read the train schedule

Here are the basics to reading a German train schedule. The 4.47 train on this schedule only runs on workdays, hence the little crossed pickaxe symbol. Unless noted, trains run every day.

ZUG: TRAIN

This is the specific train number, a very good number to compare to “make sure” this train is the same one listed in your schedule. The letters denote a certain type of train, local, regional, or high-speed. The bike symbol means the train has a car where you can load your bike. Arrival times at major stations are listed under Richtung / Destination. If you want to go to a small town, you’ll need a specific schedule for that line. That information is just not listed here.

ZEIT: TIME

Because this is an Abfahrt / Departure schedule, the first column shows the time the train departs this station, Rodenbach. There are Arrival / Ankunft schedules posted in the stations too, so watch what schedule you’re looking at. The very first train of the day on this schedule leaves at 0.12 - 12 minutes after midnight. Notice that Germans use periods instead of colons for their time designations, 0.12 instead of 0:12.

TIME BAR

The black bar 0.00 - 5.00 gives you a time frame, midnight to 5 a.m., to make it easier to find the train times you want.

RICHTUNG: DESTINATION

This column lists only some of the stops and the times the train arrives. Here you can see the train

arrives at Langenselbold at 0.15, just 3 minutes after departure. It ends at Wächtersbach at 0.41.

The bulls-eye symbol means that all stations have been listed up to here, so you can tell that Langenselbold is the very next station, since no others are shown. The *note says “nicht 10. Jun ‘01” which means “not on 10th June ‘01 - This schedule has obviously not been changed since 2001.

ABFAHRT: DEPARTURE

Rodenbach

Schedule headings are written in German and English, so read on to that second word. It’s easy. Here, you can see that this is a departure schedule for Rodenbach.

GLEIS: TRACK

The 0.12 train will depart from track 2, but be aware, this can change at the last moment. Listen to those unintelligible announcements and be alert if everyone on your platform suddenly walks off to a different platform. I’d follow them. Just make sure there is not a train arriving before yours, they might be going for that one.

The Hanau bus system is called HSB. Their website shows all the routes and prices, but it’s only in German, www.hsb.de. The main bus station is at the Hanau Freiheitsplatz. From there you have the option to take buses to any of the railway stations, suburbs or other nearby towns. You can buy your ticket from the bus driver or at a vending machine.

Education

*in the
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Education

D*epartment of Defense Schools*
Department of Defense Schools serve the Hanau Military Community. The schools are accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Hanau schools were one of the pilot sites for the National Science Foundation Model School Project. This program allowed the Hanau schools to obtain the latest in classroom technology as well as increasing the availability of technology to all students.

Documents needed for registration are the child's passport/birth certificate, up-to-date shot records, a copy of travel orders with the family members names listed, sponsor's ID card and their previous school records. A copy of the registration form can be printed from the 414th BSB website. The school year generally begins at the end of August (before Labor Day) and ends in mid June. There are three elementary schools (with Sure Start, full day kindergarten and grades 1-5), one middle school (grades 6-8) and one high school (grades 9-12). Bus transportation is provided for students living outside walking distance. Students must obtain a bus pass. These can be obtained at the DoDDS Bus Transportation Office at Hanau High School, Building 251, Room 204.

Enrollment in the elementary schools is dependent upon the residence location. Hot lunch programs are provided at all schools. Lunch tickets may be purchased at the PX. The middle and high schools offer after-school extra-curricular activities.

All Hanau schools offer special classes for talented and gifted students who possess high intelligence, demonstrate high levels of achievement or talent and are academically motivated. The Renzulli Triad Model is the adopted program. Each school offers sports, drama, music, foreign language clubs, Odyssey of the Mind and host nation field trips among the activities offered.

Hanau Middle and High School are located on the same campus.

Both schools are relatively new, opening in the late 1980s. Both schools completed participation in the National Science Foundation Model Schools Project. This project allowed the schools to become very technologically advanced. Both schools have a large number of computers and technology is a major part of the curriculum. Both follow block schedules, with 90-minute classes over a 2-day schedule.



The schools offer a variety of coursework for students with various needs. Special programs include English as a Second Language, Talented and Gifted classes, Special Education classes and Advanced Placement classes. Approximately 39 percent of high school students take some type of advanced placement classes. About 90 percent of high school students indicate intent to attend college.

There are several local associations which offer scholarships to students. Students may also apply for JROTC and National Scholarships.

Grades

The middle school uses the traditional grading system. A score of 90 to 100 is an A, 80 to 89 is a B, 70 to 79 is a C, 60 to 69 is a D, and anything below a 59 is

an F. Beginning in the 7th grade, there're several classes that middle school students can take that will earn high school credit.

The high school uses a grade point system. A score of 90 to 100 (A) is a Grade Point of 4, 80 to 90 (B) is a Grade Point of 3, 70 to 79 (C) is a Grade Point of 2, 60 to 69 (D) is a Grade Point of 1. Students may earn an E for effort and a grade point of 1. Students having scores below 59 receive an F or grade point of 0. Advanced Placement and Honors courses are weighted by giving an extra point. The high school has three levels of honor rolls, the Principal's Honor Roll for those with grade points of 4.0 or higher. The High Honor Roll for students with grade points of 3.5 to 3.9. The Honor Roll is achieved by students having a grade point average of 3.0 to 3.4. Students require a minimum of 22 units for graduation.

Honor Society, Literary Magazine, Yearbook, Drama Club, Band and Chorus. The Drama Club takes a trip to London annually to participate in the Shakespeare festival. High School activities include Future Business Leaders of America, Drama Club, Foreign Language Clubs, National Honor Society, Odyssey of the Mind, Band and Chorus. Each grade also has a class activity.

Sports

The schools offer sports programs as does Youth Services. Middle school sports include exhibition wrestling, basketball, bowling, cross country, volleyball, gymnastics, track and tennis. Middle school students with exceptional skill may play on high school teams although they cannot letter or participate in tournament play. High school sports include basketball, cross country, football, golf, rifle, soccer, tennis, track and field and volleyball.

<p><i>Argonner Elementary Sure Start — 5 grade</i> Argonner Elementary, Building 1414, Old Argonner Kaserne, DSN 322-8374 or (06181) 88-8374 www.hana-esa.eu.odedodea.edu</p>	<p><i>Sportfield Elementary Sure Start — 5 grade</i> Sportfield Elementary School, Building 360, Sportfield Housing area, DSN 322-8990 or (06181) 88-8990 www.hana-ess.eu.odedodea.edu</p>
<p><i>Gelnhausen Elementary Sure Start — 5 grade</i> Gelnhausen Elementary, building 1807 on Frankfurter Str., Gelnhausen (06051) 13011 www.geln-es.eu.odedodea.edu</p>	<p><i>Hanau Middle School (Sixth — 8 grade</i> Hanau Middle School, New Argonner Kaserne, DSN 322-8649 or (06181) 88-8649 www.hana-ms.eu.odedodea.edu</p>
<p><i>Hanau High School 9 — 12 grade</i> Hanau High School, Building 251, New Argonner Kaserne, (06181) 9069912 www.hana-hs.eu.odedodea.edu</p>	<p><i>School Bus Office</i> New Argonner Kaserne, Building 251, (06181) 906-9911 POCs: Mr. Thomas or Mr. Grice</p>

Dress code

Students must dress appropriately and in a way that does not interfere with the educational process. The final determination will be made by the school staff. Gang-related clothing, symbols or items that promote gang identity or behavior will not be permitted. Clothing or jewelry with symbols of drugs or inappropriate language is not allowed. Tank tops, muscle shirts, tops exposing midriffs, spaghetti straps, very short shorts or dresses are not allowed in school.

Extra-curricular activities

Activities offered at the middle school include Student Council, National Junior

Adult and Continuing Education

Many educational opportunities are available through the colleges at the Education Center. Several types of non-traditional classes allow active-duty service members, as well as spouses and civilians, to continue their education. Technical as well as college level classes are available for those interested in pursuing an Associate's, Bachelor's or Master's degree.

For further information on college policies, tuition costs and class schedules, visit the 414th BSB website under Services / Education Services.

Spouses of active-duty Soldiers stationed in USAREUR should take advantage of the Army Emergency Relief Spouses Scholarship Program. The MG James Ursano Scholarship Fund, managed by the Army Emergency Relief, applies to dependent children of Soldiers. Both the Education Center and Army Emergency Relief have the application packets and procedures. Education Center counselors also have information on other financial assistance available to students.

Special Education

Hanau is designated as a Category 4 community for the purposes of the Exceptional Family Member Program and offers all services attendant to that designation. Low-incident disabilities are not supported in the Hanau area. When special educational needs are involved, many factors must be considered before an assignment is made. The decision for the best assignment is made by the Department of Defense Dependent Schools through 1st PERSCOM in Heidelberg. Hand carry your child's Individual Education Plan records and any updated information or re-evaluation.

Schools in the Hanau area can provide services for mildly to moderately disabled students in all areas prescribed by a current IEP. If the student's needs cannot be met, that student will be transferred to Frankfurt or Rhein Main, where services for moderately to severely and profoundly disabled students may be provided.

Employment *in the Hanau Military Community*



Employment

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Opportunities for civilians are more restricted than in most stateside locations. Personnel who are not fluent in German have fewer employment options on the economy.

Jobs affiliated with the military are highly sought after by local nationals, retired military and Americans living in Europe as well as dependents of active-duty military. Because of the limited positions and stiff competition, it can take time to find a position.

Individuals desiring to work for German companies must comply with German work laws and regulations. Most civilians associated with the military population have several alternatives when seeking employment, although generally these have a connection to the military.

For a listing of types of government positions available, see <http://cpolwapp.belvoir.army.mil/public/vabSelfNom/index.jsp>.

To be selected for a GS position in the European theater an electronic resume, called the "Army Resume Builder", must be on file with Civilian Personnel On-Line.

To learn more about submitting a Resume, see <https://cpol.army.mil/employ/> browse to The Employment Readiness Program at ACS offers classes on how to write your federal resume. They can also provide individualized assistance in submitting your resume, locating job vacancies and preparing for interviews.

Army and Air Force Exchange Services and Department of Defense Schools are sources of civilian employment as well. Civilian companies provide contracted services to the Army and are also sources of employment.

As in the States, there's no single resource for these positions. Speak to the Employment Readiness Program Manager located on Wolfgang Kaserne or visit www.aafes.com.

Private sector employment does exist; but taking a job on the economy may affect your status for U.S. Government employment. Check with the Family Member Employment Assistance Program Manager at ACS for information.

For more information, go to <http://www.aafes.com> or <http://www.chrma.hqusareur.army.mil/>.

Or, contact the Installation Volunteer Coordinator or the Family Member Employment Program Manager at Army Community Service.



Medical and Dental *in the* *Hanau Military Community*



Medical and Dental Services

Military Medical Care

The Hanau military community is primarily served by the U.S. Army Hospital in Heidelberg and the Hanau and Büdingen Health Clinics. The care available at the Hanau Clinic includes Pediatrics, Family Practice, Optometry, Gynecology, Well Woman, Well Baby, Acute Care and chronic follow-up care as appropriate. Medical Services at the Hanau Health Clinic are limited and referrals to the Heidelberg Army Hospital, Landstuhl Regional Medical Center or a German physician are often made. Emergency care is provided by the Stadt Krankenhaus in Hanau.

Clinic hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday. Thursday hours are 1 - 4:30 p.m. Same day appointments can be made by calling:
DSN 328-6600 / 6601 / 6602.

German Health Care

There may be occasions when you are referred to a German health care provider. The German health care system has highly trained providers and the care is excellent. There are established relationships with a group of providers in the area who will have had their credentials verified and agree to accept Tricare. The Tricare office can help you set up appointments. Emergency care is provided by the Stadt Krankenhaus (Hanau's city hospital). There's English-speaking staff in the Emergency Room to assist patients and to process paperwork. Emergency medical care provided at the Stadt Krankenhaus is at no cost to patients enrolled in Tricare Prime.

Health Education / Awareness Classes

Army Community Health Nursing is a section of the Preventive Medicine Activity. Community Health Nursing programs include disease surveillance, health education, individual and family support services, community health consultants and travel medicine clinic. The Community Health Nurses take an active role in health education and

promotion and offer classes on a wide variety of health related topics. Classes include Sexual Awareness, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, HIV Infection (AIDS), Home Safety / Child Care, Pregnancy / Birth Control, Hypertension, Nutrition / Cholesterol Reduction and Smoking Cessation. Hanau Health Clinic, New Argonner Kaserne, DSN 328-6693 / 6694.

Tricare

The Tricare Europe program is modeled on the Tricare program in the United States but also provides services unique to the overseas environment. When you arrive in Europe, you will enroll and offer your family members the option of enrolling in Tricare Europe Prime. Tricare Prime has published access-to-care standards that we will meet to ensure that you receive quality, timely care. There are no deductibles and no cost-shares for authorized medical care delivered by host nation providers in Europe for active duty family members. In addition, you will enjoy the stateside Tricare Prime benefit if you are traveling in the United States and need to receive medical care.

Tricare Service Centers: Services are provided for you to access information about medical care in Europe and in CONUS. Some of the special services



available through the Tricare Service Centers in Europe include:

Patient Liaisons — Bilingual staff are available to assist you in making appointments with host-nation providers and facilitate your care in civilian hospitals should you be admitted.

Preferred Provider Network — There are special relationships and agreements with select providers in Germany who agree to see U.S. military personnel and families and also agree to file the Tricare claims for you. Tricare Europe Standard is available and represents what was formerly the basic CHAMPUS benefit. By declining enrollment in Tricare Europe Prime your family members will incur costs for civilian care. The Tricare office can provide you with the options available to you.

Dental Services

The Hanau Dental Clinic is located next to the Health Clinic on New Argonner Kaserne. Family members can expect to receive preventative, basic restorative and essential specialty dental care required to maintain good oral health for the duration of your assignment in Europe. It is recommended that before departing CONUS family members take advantage of the Tricare Family Member Dental Program by seeing a civilian dentist and receiving treatment for any recognized conditions.

The Tricare Family Member Dental Plan is available in Europe if necessary when specific types of care become unavailable. However, a referral from the dental clinic and proof of enrollment is necessary before you seek civilian care and you must go to a provider listed on the United Concordia website. Details are available at the dental clinic or at www.ucci.com. If you have family members remaining in the U.S., it is advisable to keep them enrolled in the insurance plan so that they may continue to receive care. It should be possible for family members to receive all or the majority of their dental care free at the Hanau and Büdingen Dental Clinics. Beneficiaries need to stop by the clinic for a basic examination between 7:30 and 10:30 a.m., Monday through Friday or 12:30 to 3 p.m. Monday to Thursday. After the initial examination, an appointment will be

scheduled for any necessary dental work. Active duty military personnel and their family members have priority for dental care. Retirees and their family members will receive examinations and emergency care. Routine dental care for retirees and their family members is on a space-available basis. Check with your local dental clinic to find out what types of care are available. The Retiree Delta Dental Insurance Plan is not available for retirees while residing in Europe. DoD civilian and contract employees will be seen for emergency dental care on a fee-for-service basis.

Dental appointments

Patients should use the walk-in care system for exams and sick call. After examination, further appointments will be made as needed. Retirees and pay patients are treated on a space-available system and are seen on a walk-in basis for exams and sick call. DoD civilian employees are eligible for emergency and sick call care on a walk-in basis. They will be billed by the medical accounts office, Heidelberg Meddac for services rendered. When a patient cannot keep an appointment, it should be canceled 24 hours in advance. Appointments not canceled and missed are considered failed appointments. Your servicing clinical personnel are available to explain to you the policy on failed appointments. Military dental clinics throughout Europe offer a variety of specialty care and services. If the clinic nearest you does not provide the care you need, you may be referred to another military dental facility for treatment. Patients requiring emergency dental care after hours should call the 414th BSB emergency action center number. On-duty personnel will contact the on-call dentist to arrange treatment.

The Hanau Dental Clinic is located on New Argonner Kaserne, DSN 328-6520/6522 or (06181) 500-6520 / 6522. The Büdingen Dental Clinic is located on Armstrong Barracks adjacent to the medical clinic, DSN 321-4729 or (06042) 80-4729.



Child and Teen Services *in the* *Hanau Military Community*



Child and Teen Services

CChild Care

Child Development Services is dedicated to providing a safe, happy and healthy environment for your child. Their goal is to provide quality developmental care for all children, ages six weeks to kindergarten age. The staff receives training in first aid and CPR, and instruction in child development through training sessions, workshops, seminars and on-the-job training.

Dual-military and single parents should register children online as soon as possible. Currently there are waiting lists for child care for all age groups. The sooner you register your children, the sooner you will have child care after you arrive. Hourly care is available at all CDCs. Child care options on the economy in Germany are much more limited than in CONUS. German mothers typically do not work until their children are three years old and so the need for child care is much less, resulting in fewer resources.

Central Registration Office
Enrolling your child in any CDS or Youth Services program begins with a visit to the Central Registration Office. The registration process includes verification of current, original shot records, two emergency designees (not a parent), and a complete registration packet. A current physical must be submitted within 30 days of enrollment. Physicals completed in the U.S. within the past year may be used for registration. Children with special needs, i.e. asthma, food or other allergies, or receiving medication must have medical documentation prior to registration. The current yearly registration fee is \$15 per child or \$35 for families of three children or more. Dual-military parents and single soldier parents are required to provide a copy of their Family Care Plans within thirty days of registration.

If you're planning on having a child, or are pregnant, you can get on the waiting list for infant care. A babysitting referral list is also available. The list includes

information about teen babysitters who have received training. If you will need child care upon arrival, it is imperative that you register and place your children on the waiting list today. There is currently a child care waiting list for all ages. You can register online through the community webpage. Do not delay, the sooner you register, the sooner child care will be available after you arrive. You must still visit the central registration office upon arrival in Hanau after registering online. Central Child / Youth Registration Office, Building 20, Room 10, Pioneer Kaserne, (06181) 88-9144, DSN 322-9144. For more information see www.hanau.army.mil.

School Age Services

School Age Services provides care for children in the first to fifth grades. Before- and after-school activities, hourly care and summer camp programs are offered. Youth must be registered with Central Registration.

Middle School and Teen Centers

The Middle School and Teen Centers provide recreational and educational activities for youth in the sixth through twelfth grades. Youth must be registered with Central Registration.

Youth Sports Program

The Youth Sports Program offers T-ball, baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, flag football, cheerleading and classes like martial arts, ballet and gymnastics. Annual physicals are required.



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Hanau History

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Hanau History

Welcome to Hanau, Germany, the home of the Grimm Brothers, linguists and masters of German folklore. Unlike the typical tourist, you'll be here long enough to sample the lifestyle and to get to know the people.

Explore Germany, take advantage of your weekends; they will slip away faster than you think. This can be the most exciting and memorable assignment of your military career. The 104th Area Support Group and the 414th Base Support Battalion are located in Hanau. The peacetime mission of these garrison commands is to provide quality of life support and base operations to the units and the people. While many U.S. facilities continue to close in Germany, Hanau and its outlying communities — Büdingen, Gelnhausen and Erlensee — remain strong. The history of Hanau is both important and interesting. In the early hours of March 19, 1945 Hanau was violently attacked by a massive allied air strike. Close to 85 percent of Hanau was destroyed and it seemed the city, just 11 miles east of Frankfurt am Main, had suffered a mortal blow.

Today, Hanau is a small, bustling city of approximately 100,000 people. This figure includes the populations of the smaller communities of Wolfgang, Großauheim, Steinheim, Klein Auheim, Hohe Tanne, and Mittelbuchen as a result of a merger in 1974. Some 13,000 workers commute daily to Hanau.

Although Hanau received status as a city from Albrecht I in 1093, it was not until religious refugees poured into the city in 1597 that it began to flourish. Given religious freedom by the ruling Count, these refugees, mostly Dutch and Belgian Wallons, constructed a new city and started new trades, including gold and silversmithing. The refugees also built the Netherlands Wallon Double Church which stands today on Französische Allee as a monument. Hanau's Academy of Art was established in 1772 for the training of young people to work in the city's gold and silver

trade. It's the oldest existing school of its kind in Germany.

The history of Hanau touched America's during our Revolutionary War. A treaty was signed in Hanau in February 1776 to hire mercenaries. This treaty provided England's King George III with the first contingent of Hessian soldiers for use against the American Colonies. During the early years of the 19th century, Hanau was occupied by Napoleon's troops and its fortifications were destroyed. In 1886, Hanau fell into Prussian hands. At the beginning of the 20th century, Hanau's Main River port was built. This increased trade of all kinds. Despite the world wars, Hanau continued to thrive. Its gold and silver industries attracted gem and other precious metal factories. Today, the products of Heraeus, Quarzlampen Company, Dunlop Rubber, Degussa and many others are vital to the city's economic welfare.

On October 16, 1991, the U.S. military community in Hanau was redesignated as the 414th BSB in accordance with the United States Army Europe Community Command Plan. Unlike most Army posts in CONUS, the Hanau military community is comprised of 17 smaller installations known as kaserne. Each kaserne has an interesting history of its own.

Pioneer Kaserne was built under Hitler's regime between 1938 and 1939. It was used by the German Railroad Recruiting and Training Battalions of the 3rd German Railroad Regiment. In 1944 and 1945 the kaserne was damaged by an allied aerial bombardment and was later attacked by artillery fire. It was reestablished by municipal construction agencies organized by the U.S. Government. Pioneer Kaserne now houses the majority of the facilities for the support and welfare of military personnel and their family members. It's also the home of 102nd Signal Battalion and the 130th Engineer Brigade.

Fliegerhorst Kaserne was initially built for Hermann Göring's German Air Force in 1937. The construction plan provided for the project to extend over 15 years and was outlined in three phases. The project began in 1937, but due to the outbreak of WWII only the first phase was completed. In 1945, the U.S. Army occupied the kaserne and used it as a signal depot, consisting of a maintenance division and a storage division. In 1952 the entire depot was transferred to Pirmasens; the installation was redesignated and assigned artillery, transportation, ordnance and aviation units of the 7th Army. Fliegerhorst currently houses aviation and maintenance facilities, government housing and support and recreation activities for service members and their families.

Wolfgang Kaserne was a former WWI ammunition factory. It was upgraded between 1936 and 1938 by the former Herresamt for use as an ammunition depot. Wolfgang is currently a modern facility housing the Hanau military community's shopping and entertainment district.

Yorkhof Kaserne was constructed between 1905 and 1911 and was first occupied by troops assigned to the German Army Post Depot. It's now the headquarters of the 104th ASG.

Hutier Kaserne was constructed between 1908 and 1910. In 1920, these buildings were converted to civilian use including schools and a police headquarters. In 1936 and 1937 it was reconverted to German military use. It was at this time that the post was named Hutier in honor of a famous Prussian, General Oscar Von Hutier. Hutier is home to the 16th Corp Support Group.

Argonner Kaserne, named after the Argonner Forest, scene of the famous WWI battle, was constructed between 1937 and 1938 and occupied by the German Army Engineer NCO School. Argonner now houses medical, dental and veterinary services, a guest house, government housing, the Hanau Middle School and Hanau High School.

Büdingen is located 16 miles from Hanau and is nestled in the southwestern foothills of the Vogelsberg Mountains. After the fall

of the Roman Empire, the Franks, seeking to control trade and travel, built many forts in the area enclosed by the Taunus, Vogelsberg, and Spessart Mountains. One of these forts was located at Büdingen. In the 12th century, this small, sandstone fort was replaced by a Carolingian style castle surrounded by a circular stone wall. The castle, which became the residence of the lords of Büdingen, has been occupied ever since. In order to protect the city, one prince constructed a wall and moat. The wall still stands and the old town is a beautiful example of late Gothic fortification. The Thirty Years War reduced the city's population from 1500 to 500.

Today, the city has approximately 7,000 residents. Highlights of a visit to Büdingen include the Rathaus and the Widow's Residence which are both fine examples of 15th century architecture. There are also numerous gates, walls and towers from the Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque periods.

The military installation in Büdingen, formerly known as Krueger Kaserne, was constructed between 1935 and 1939 for the German Machine Gun Battalion 3. This unit was replaced in 1939 by an anti-tank battalion which was stationed there until its deployment into combat in 1944. Following the arrival of the Americans in 1945, the kaserne was named Armstrong Kaserne in honor of 1st Lt. Armstrong who served as an air observer for the 68th Field Artillery Battalion and was killed in action on Anzio Beach in Italy. Armstrong Kaserne is currently home to the 1st Squadron 1st Cavalry Regiment of Dragoons.

The German community of Gelnhausen is called home by a number of Hanau residents. Gelnhausen's official history begins in 1170 when Friedrich I (also called Barbarossa) founded the Nova Villa. Three considerably older villages were united and enlarged into one new city. Gelnhausen's location on the Kinzig River made it a prime location on a medieval trade route. Gelnhausen was one of the richest cities in the empire and attracted many wealthy merchants. From 1180 until his death, Barbarossa lived here for some time every second year. His son, Henry V, called the castle his most beloved place. Gelnhausen suffered under

the Thirty Years War as well. It was raided and sacked and left uninhabitable and depopulated. After the war people came back slowly. However, those that returned were poor craftsmen and farmers, not wealthy merchants.

Today, Gelnhausen has 22,000 residents and is the cultural and economical center of the Kinzig Valley.



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About Germany

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About Germany

Living in Germany can be wonderful, exciting and a great learning experience. While many Germans do speak English, you'll be surprised how far a few words in German will get you. To help you better understand and appreciate your German hosts, we have listed a few of their customs, traditions and laws. When introduced to a German, say "Guten Morgen" (good morning), "Guten Tag" (good day), "Guten Abend" (good evening) or simply "Tag." It's customary to give a greeting when entering a small business; when leaving say "Auf Wiedersehen" (good bye). It's considered impolite not to greet people at such times.

Help with the Language

You'll have the opportunity to take a short course in called German Headstart when you inprocess. The course offers an introduction to the German culture and the language. Additionally, the USO offers German classes for a fee. If the language barrier is still holding you back, there's lots of help available on the web in the form of translation services. The translations provided by these services aren't perfect, but they do get the message across. If the computer translation on a site comes back too confusing to use, try the same text on a different site:

world.altavista.com
www.freetranslation.com
www.translate-free.com
www.systrosoft.com
www.linguadict.de

Online dictionaries are also useful. Try looking up individual words at one of these sites:

<http://dictionary.reference.com/translate/text.html>
<http://wordreference.com/de/>

See the sites below for translation services.

German Dining

Bratwurst stands, Imbiss, McDonalds and Burger King as well as Pizza Hut provide fast food opportunities. In German Gasthäuser and restaurants you can spend a relaxing time enjoying freshly prepared dishes. Visit a cafe for

your favorite beverage and a snack, and many kinds of cakes and cookies. It's customary to spend an hour or more at a cafe. A bistro's menu is similar to that of a diner's. The emphasis is on hot food that doesn't take too long to prepare. A Gasthaus offers a fixed menu of complete meals and some also rent rooms.

A restaurant in Germany is basically the same as in the U.S., but without the rush. Be prepared to wait 20 to 30 minutes for your meal. Food is served when it's ready; some members of your party may receive their food much earlier than the rest, although good restaurants try to serve everyone at the same time. Often they eat their salad with the meat and not before. Traditional American tipping is not done in Germany. Instead, when paying your bill at a restaurant, simply round up or add one or two euros to your bill for the waiter. For large bills and great service rounding up five euros is reasonable. Many restaurants take reservations.

Quiet Hours

By German law, 1 - 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday are reserved for the Mittagsruhe (mid-day rest). The law states that there can be no loud or unusual noise which would disturb persons who may be napping during this time. Another German law provides that there should be "no disturbance of the solemn character of Sundays and Holidays," this includes mowing the lawn and creating noise. Quiet hours are in effect all day on Sunday and German holidays. Quiet hours apply on the kasernes as well.

Post Office

The German Post Office (Bundespost) is very different than an American post office. At the Bundespost, you can pay telephone and utility bills, buy German stamps and make telephone calls.

Climate

European weather is mild. The spring and summer weather in Germany is

best described by saying it is cool and damp. The winter is cold and wet. The average winter temperature is 38 degrees Fahrenheit. Summer average temperatures stay in the mid 70s. Annual precipitation for the region is 24 inches.

Festivals and Events

You will find monthly events, festivals and many happenings in Germany throughout the year. The 104th ASG Marketing Office publishes the monthly Connection Magazine which has all the events in the 104th ASG. The 414th BSB Public Affairs Office contributes to the bi-monthly Herald Union newspaper which lists cultural events and movie schedules. The 414th BSB and 104th ASG MWR websites have information on activities on- and off-post.

Germany is a country rich in festivals throughout the year. Some are not as well known as others but all are worth experiencing. Starting in the last days of September and ending two weeks later, Oktoberfest is Germany's most famous festival. It takes place in Munich, the capital of Bavaria, and includes carnival rides, acts, food and beer. Each year, the Oktoberfest sells hundreds of thousands of kegs of beer from Munich's most famous breweries. Though better known for its beer, Germany is one of the largest wine producers in the world. For two weeks in September, Bad Dürkheim throws a party. Germany has hundreds of wine festivals each year, but this is one of the biggest. It's a great way to familiarize you with German wine, people and all the festivities.

At the end of June and early July, Berlin holds the annual Berlin Film Festival, one of biggest and most exciting motion picture award ceremonies held in Europe. It's a chance to see fine international films and to catch sight of some of the world's brightest stars. To order a program, or to book a reservation, write to: Berlin Festspiele, Budapest Str. 50, 1 Berlin 30. The Cannstadt Volksfest is held September through October near Stuttgart, Germany. It's second in size only to Munich's Oktoberfest. It was initiated by King Wilhelm I over 150 years ago and is held on a large grassy field in the suburb of Stuttgart. This festival offers

many amusement rides, booths selling handicrafts, food stands and beer tents with live music.

Fasching, also called Carnival, Fastnacht and Fasnet is central Europe's name for Mardi-Gras. It's a time of merrymaking that precedes the Lenten fasts. It officially begins on November 11 and ends on Ash Wednesday. The main celebration takes place on Rosenmontag, the Monday before Ash Wednesday, with parades, parties and dancing in the streets. Although there're many cities which host Fasching activities, the biggest parades take place in Mainz, Cologne, Munich and Düsseldorf.

On the first Saturday in June, July and September the famous Heidelberg Castle presents an illumination and fireworks display. Also during the summer, "Rhine Aflame" is held one night each month. This is an incredible evening of fireworks along the Rhine River with numerous castles as a breathtaking backdrop.

You probably remember the story of the pied piper of Hamelin from your childhood. Now you can visit the town made famous by the legend and enjoy a show in its honor. Every Sunday at noon in July and August, the old town of Hamelin commemorates the fateful kidnapping of the town's children on June 26, 1284 in a two-part pageant and festival. For more information, see www.armygermany.com OR www.hanau.army.mil.

Cultural Attractions

Germany is a land rich in cultural history and sites. Keep in mind that you're just hours away from some of the most amazing historical landmarks in the world. There is a castle (Schloss) in almost every city and town. Admission is usually minimal, one to five euros. The USO and Outdoor Recreation sponsor a wide variety of activities and trips throughout Germany and Europe at reasonable prices.

Hanau Historical Sites

Schloss Philippsruhe is the most important early 18th century work of architecture in Hanau. The castle was built by order of Count Phillip Reinhard and completed in 1713. Today, the castle contains the

History Museum, the Hanau Registry Office and a cafe-restaurant. Surrounding the castle and bordering the Main River are many paths through a scenic park. On the grounds surrounding the castle, the city hosts many festivals and periodically presents some of Grimm's fairy tales.

The Deutsches Goldschmiedehaus (Goldsmith House) was built in 1537 and rebuilt following the last war. The Goldsmith House was once the town hall. It's one of Hanau's prettiest buildings and displays many works of gold and silver and other precious metals. Art exhibitions are frequently held there and often include works from all over the world.

The Puppenmuseum, located in the Wilhelmsbad Park, was built between 1777 and 1780 and is a popular place for outings. It has a museum of dolls and toys of interest to children of all ages. One of the oldest intimate theaters in Germany, reopened as the Comoedienhaus in 1969, is located in the park along with an old-fashioned carousel and castle ruins. A pyramid on the pool island was built by Prince Wilhelm as a tomb for his son. A suspension bridge, golf course and extensive walking paths are among the many attractions of the park.

Recreation

Germany comes alive in the summertime with bicycles as the primary mode of transportation and walking a close second.

There are thousands of miles of biking / walking trails throughout Germany. Volsmarching is an all-season activity for the whole family. You can walk for points, prizes or just for fun. Swimming enthusiasts can take advantage of the lakes, pools and thermal pools all within a short distance. If you're a winter sports person, ski and snowboard areas are within an hour's drive and the fabulous Alps are close enough for weekend trips. Talk to the USO or Outdoor Rec about their trips.

This is the country for outdoor enthusiasts. If you like camping, hiking, climbing, jogging, golfing,

fishing, swimming, white water rafting, canoeing, kayaking, scuba diving, windsurfing, skiing, skydiving and sightseeing in general, you'll love it here.

For information on all kinds of things to do, see www.hanau.army.mil.



Shopping

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On-Post Shopping

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service has facilities throughout the Hanau footprint including retail stores, service stations, shoppettes, service marts, Military Clothing Sales, Four Seasons and Class Six beverage shops. Other AAFES facilities include barber and beauty shops, burger bars, laundromats, alterations shops and movie theaters.

There are three commissaries in the 414th BSB area. Hanau's commissary is located on Wolfgang Kaserne, Büdingen's commissary is on Armstrong Kaserne and Gelnhausen has a commissary in the Coleman Housing area. Payment for commissary items may be made by cash, check or debit card. Checks may be written for the amount of purchase plus \$20. Ration cards are required to purchase coffee and tobacco. Commissaries accept coupons up to six months after their expiration date.

Wolfgang Kaserne has a large PX and commissary, Class Six, book store, Four Seasons and toy store, Military Clothing Sales, alterations shop, sport store and a number of retail stores featuring traditional German gifts. A food court, barber shop, beauty shop, thrift store, post offices (American and German), roller rink, bowling alley and arts and crafts center are also located on Wolfgang Kaserne.

Off-Post Shopping

Germans generally shop more frequently than we do and purchase smaller quantities. Most shops are small and specialized, but there are some which compare to our larger department and grocery stores. It's best to bring along a shopping bag or basket since some stores charge for bags. In Germany, stores often close by 8 p.m. on weekdays and 4 p.m. on Saturdays. On Saturdays, store hours are typically from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Keep in mind that there is a 16 percent value added tax on all purchases in

Germany. The price on merchandise already includes this tax, which you can avoid paying by using a VAT form. Before shopping, stop by the VAT office in the Community Activities Center on Fliegerhorst Kaserne.

Downtown Hanau has hundreds of specialty shops. An open-air market is located in the Marktplatz where a wonderful selection of fresh fruits, vegetables, eggs, meats, flowers and more can be purchased. Market days are Wednesday and Saturday. If you visit the market shortly before it closes, you can purchase many items for half-price. During the Christmas season, the Marktplatz becomes a Christmas market with food, toys, Christmas gifts and rides.

In Germany there are many supermarkets, but their names can be quite confusing for Americans. Some of the most common are Aldi, Rewe, Penny Markt, Minimal, Real, Walmart, Lidl, HL, Spar, Edeka, Tengelmann, Grosso, Norma, Plus and Real. Germany is a great place to find fashionable clothing with a wide variety of styles, prices and accessories.

Some of the big clothing stores are Kaufhof, Karstadt, Mueller-Ditschler, Peek+Cloppenburg, C&A, H&M, and Hoppe. Modern and young fashion stores include Pimkie, Orsay, New Yorker, Chicago. Computer shops include Vobis, Media-Markt, Saturn Hansa and Ostheimer.

Hessen Center

The Hessen Center is a mall located at the end of Autobahn A66 in Bergen-Enkheim (Frankfurt). Just take a right at the traffic light when the Autobahn ends and you'll be at the entrance of the parking lot.

Furniture

A big furniture store called Möbel Erbe is located on B43A towards Darmstadt. IKEA, another furniture store that sells Swedish furniture is located behind Hutier Kaserne. Möbel Walther offers five huge store houses of furniture for every taste and is located right off the

exit at Gründau-Lieblös on A66 towards Gelnhausen.

Gelnhausen

The shopping area is around the two upper markets in the center of the old town. A recommended store is the Kaufhaus JO located next to the Kinzig River. The huge furniture store, Möbel Walther, can't be missed when taking the Gründau Lieblös Autobahn exit.

Maintal

If you are a Walmart junkie, head to Maintal, which is a suburb of Hanau. There's a large shopping area hosting not only a Super Walmart, but also a Walmart-like supercenter called Real. If you like the dollar store, try shopping at Kik, also located in the same shopping district.

Bruchköbel

A good place for grocery shopping is the commercial zone, Industriegebiet, located just outside of Bruchköbel. Here you'll find German stores like ALDI, Penny, Toom Beverages, Lidl, and Tegut (if you look for organically produced food).

Frankfurt

Frankfurt's main shopping street is the "Zeil". Here you'll find all the major department stores such as: Peek & Cloppenburg, Galeria Kaufhof, Karstadt, Eckerle, Sportarena, Douglas, Saturn, ... etc. Furthermore there's a small shopping mall called "Zeilgalerie" which also houses the IMAX cinema. If you're looking for exclusive designer shops (Escada, Picard, Versace, Gucci, Cartier, ...etc.) then the Goethestrasse is the place to go. It's located between the opera and the "Goetheplatz".

Oh, and you don't have to worry about parking, there are several parking garages in the area. The best way to reach the Zeil is by train, however. Get off at the Hauptwache station.

<http://www.zeil-online.de/>

Nordwest Zentrum

The Nordwest Zentrum is a large shopping mall with more than 120 businesses. Sufficient parking is available for traveling by car. NordWest Zentrum, Verwaltungsgesellschaft mbH, Limescorso 8, 60439 Frankfurt am Main, HRB 30674,

phone (069) 58 09 02-0 Offenbach

The center of the city of Offenbach has a nice pedestrian zone with many stores and shops. You will also find a Toys R' Us store in Offenbach. Offenbach also has a nice shopping mall called the Ring Center hosting Woolworth and Toom Markt among various other shops. It's located at Odenwaldring 70, 63069 Offenbach, Telefon: (069) 83 00 58-0. www.ringcenter.de.

Aschaffenburg

The City of Aschaffenburg and the surrounding towns are famous for tailors and clothes factories. A large amount of the traditional Bavarian style clothes (in German called Trachten) is produced there. One big location is the town of Leidersbach where you find various factories. Travel on A3 towards Würzburg and take the Aschaffenburg West exit and go on B469 towards Obernburg, and exit at Leidersbach.

Wächtersbach Ceramics

Wächtersbach Ceramics produces red Christmas plates, various mugs and other items. You'll find good bargains but look over the finish since you'll also find seconds. The factory store accepts U.S. dollars. Take A66 towards Fulda and get off at the Bad Orb exit and travel towards Brachtal / Schlierbach. Pass Wächtersbach and Wächtersbach / Hesseldorf. There is huge sign on the building in Schlierbach. Parking is available. Wächtersbach Ceramics, Fabrikstraße 12, 63636 Brachtal, 06053-80122

Centro Einkaufszentrum

Centro Einkaufszentrum is Germany's largest shopping mall with more than 200 stores, 300 eateries, bars, sports complex, cinema complex, hotel and an amusement park. Travel on A3 to A42 towards Oberhausen, look for green signs to OB-Zentrum. Centro Einkaufszentrum at Centroallee 267, 46047 Oberhausen, (0208) 8282055, www.centro.de.

Designer Outlet Shopping Center

The Designer Outlet Shopping Center is the largest German designer outlet center. The center is open daily from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. except for Sunday. Parking is available. Reach the outlet center by traveling on A3/A60 towards Mainz, take A63 towards Kaiserslautern and A6 towards Saarbrücken. At Neunkirchen take A8 towards Pirmasens and use the Flugplatz exit then follow the signs. From Frankfurt it's 170 km. For more details visit www.DOZ.com.

Wertheim Outlet Shopping Village

Discover the Wertheim Outlet Shopping Village on A3 between Aschaffenburg and Würzburg at exit 66 Wertheim / Lengfurt. Clothes, shoes, accessories, sports gear and jewelry are sold for reduced prices. The shopping village is open from Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. For more information visit: www.WertheimVillage.com which is also available in English.

The area around Wertheim is also great for hiking, dining and discovering the Spessart Mountains.



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Links to maps and driving directions
www.map24.de
www.viamichelin.com
www.mapquest.com

Planning a vacation or a weekend trip

In Germany you'll find travel agencies on almost every corner offering trips and flights. They're usually very helpful, have good offers and most speak enough English to help you. Look for the signs of TUI, LTU, DER Tour, Neckermann and JAHN Reisen. If you don't have to travel during the German school vacation period, you'll get better prices and the destinations are not as crowded. School breaks vary from state to state and are different from year to year. You'll find them listed on German calendars. You can book online as well, try some of these websites:

www.ryanair.com (affordable flights)
www.ltu.de
www.traveltopis.de
www.hess-tourismus.de
www.reisen.de
www.expedia.de
www.thomascook.de
www.lastminute.de
www.lufthansa.de
www.iberia.de
www.billigfluege.de

Museum in Hanau

Museums are not only great places to learn bits and pieces of culture at one's leisure, they are a genuine boon when the weather turns bad. The Hanau area offers the following museums to be explored.

Schloss Philippsruhe

The Philippsruhe Castle is located on the Main River on the boulevard of the same name (Philippsruher Allee 45). The grounds around the castle are worth a stroll or sit at the veranda restaurant under an umbrella and practice a bit of personal rest and recreation as the ships pass by. Or sit in the museum cafe and enjoy a refreshment. Inside there is an illustrated history of the

town of Hanau, a collection of locally produced faience, Dutch paintings from the 17th Century, a Grimm Brothers collection, Hanau before and during the 1848/49 revolution, Hanau art from the 15th to 20th Century and much more. The castle museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is €2.50 or €1.50 for children and students. For information call (06181) 20209.

Hanau Paper Theater Museum

The Hanau Paper Theater Museum is an independent museum located on the top floor of the Philippsruhe Castle. During the 19th Century a number of publishing houses printed sheets of paper that could be cut out and glued to form paper theaters. The Hanau collection has been a hit with young and old for years. The Paper Theater Museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Museum Großauheim

This museum concentrates on country life before industrialization, various farming techniques but also the history of industrialization in the 19th and 20th centuries. The museum is located at Pfortenwingertstraße 4, Großauheim. It is open Thursday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is €2, reduced price €1.50. For information call (06181) 573763.

Forestry Museum Klein-Auheim.

The Forestry Museum is inside a deer park, the Alte Fasanerie in Steinheim. The wooden building features large pictures of forestry work as it was done in earlier times. Among the exhibits are different tools used by forestry workers. It's a good occasion for children to get hands-on experience as they learn about the forest and its precious wood resources. The deer park and the Forstmuseum Alte Fasanerie are open from April to September, daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and from October until March, daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Museum Schloß Steinheim.

The Museum Schloß Steinheim is a castle museum full of exhibits on the early history of Hanau, but also about the local tobacco and printing industry. The castle museum is located on the Schloßstraße in Steinheim. It's open Thursday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon and 2-5 p.m. (06181) 20209.

Deutsches Goldschmiedehaus

The Deutsches Goldschmiedehaus is the most famous museum in Hanau. The German Goldsmiths House is a international forum of exhibits in silver and gold. The museum also has an historic goldsmith workshop and a large collection of contemporary works. The museum is located at Altstädter Markt 6, Hanau and is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon and 2- 5 p.m.

Hessisches

Puppenmuseum Hanau

The Hessian Doll Museum is located on the grounds of Wilhelmsbad Castle. In addition to a fine collection of dolls, there're often special exhibits and sometimes even demonstrations in the museum. It's an attraction for young and old. The Wilhelmsbad Park is a wonderful for walks.

The Doll Museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon and 2-5 p.m.

Museums in Frankfurt

Natural History Museum

Senckenberg

The Naturmuseum Senckenberg is one of the largest natural history museums in Europe. Visitors can wonder at exhibits on themes such as the historical development of the Earth and life, and fossils from the world famous Grube Messel. The Museum also offers supervised educational programs for adults and youngsters. www.senckenberg.de

Bible Museum

The Bibelhaus am Museumsufer opens the world of the Bible and enables the visitor to experience the contents of the Book of Books. From life in a nomadic tent to the present-day multimedia world the exhibition draws visitors into the fascinating world of biblical traditions and

customs. The various exhibits – including a walk-through Bible, a life-size boat from the time of Jesus and a nomadic tent – have been incorporated into this “please touch” exhibition. The Bible Museum is located on Metzlerstraße 19.

www.frankfurterbibelgesellschaft.de

German Film Museum

The history of film and cinema, film aesthetics and film technology are brought vividly to life. A cinema is the museum's heart with programs from retrospectives and documentary to the avant-garde. The German Film Museum also manages an archive of film equipment, photos, posters, texts and a comprehensive film library. The museum is located on the Museumsufer at Schaumainkai 41.

www.deutsches-filmmuseum.de

Frankfurt Money Museum

The Geldmuseum of the Deutsche Bundesbank not only presents a cross-section of historical coin and banknote collections, but also vividly depicts the complex relationships between money and monetary policy. The Museum endeavors to be topical; it documents European monetary policy and the European System of Central Banks. To make the abstract world of monetary and economic policy tangible, the Bundesbank employs films, sophisticated computer games and interactive teaching programs. The exhibition is divided into special themes, the first being numismatics and money technology. The remaining five are devoted to monetary policy and the central bank.

www.geldmuseum.de

Art Hall

The Schirn Kunsthalle was inaugurated in February 1986 as the largest exhibition hall in Frankfurt. Centrally located between the Dom and Römer, the Schirn offers presentations of art nouveau, expressionism, Dada, surrealism, the history of photography and retrospectives of Wassily Kandinsky, Marc Chagall, Alberto Giacometti and Frida Kahlo. The Schirn enjoys an international reputation, a status established by its own events as well as by cooperation with museums like the Centre Pompidou and the Musée d'Orsay in Paris and New York's Museum of Modern Art. www.schirn.de

Museum for Applied Art

The Museum of Applied Art is one of the leading international museums of its kind. Its origins date back to 1877 when Frankfurt citizens founded the Central German Handicrafts Society. Today's collection spans a period of 6000 years through various cultures. In addition to European applied arts from the 12th to 21st centuries are book art and graphics, Islamic art and applied art from East Asia. The Museum of Applied Art is the first museum building by New York architect Richard Meier.

As a large-scale ensemble, the complex merges the 1803 Villa Metzler, green areas, mature trees and the new building into an urban landscape on the banks of the Main river. It makes a decisive contribution to the status of Frankfurt's Museum Embankment.

www.museumfuerangewandtekunst.frankfurt.de

Museum for Modern Art

The Museum for Modern Art opened in 1991. The nucleus of the museum is American and European art of the sixties from the collection of Karl Ströher with works by Roy Lichtenstein, Claes Oldenburg, Andy Warhol, Joseph Beuys, Reiner Ruthenbeck and Blinky Palermo. The principal goal is to build up a collection of contemporary art and interpret it for art lovers. Call for a guided tour. www.mmk-frankfurt.de

Frankfurter Feldbahnmuseum

The Steam Train Museum collection includes 14 steam locomotives, 15 diesel locomotives, 100 wagons, accessories and tools as well as an exhibition of documents and photos. A steam engine with passenger carriages runs every day. www.feldbahn-ffm.de

Museum for Communication

The Museum for Communication exhibitions range from the beginnings of communication to our modern information society. Video terminals and interactive models complement the exhibits. In the Media Workshop computer experts and beginners can surf through the global village. The art collection includes works by Carl Spitzweg, Max Ernst, Joseph

Beuys and Salvador Dali. Changing exhibitions illuminate the depth of the communication theme. The Museum was established in 1958 as the Federal Post Museum in a villa on the Museum Embankment. It was extended in 1990 by a new building designed by the renowned Stuttgart architect Günter Behnisch. www.museumsstiftung.de

Art Gallery and Fine Art Institute Städel

The Städel's collection of old masters and modern art hang in a dialogue with one another. The permanent exhibition is regularly complemented by special showings and the museum offers a comprehensive program of guided tours. Enjoy the ambience of the café Holbein's. With its comprehensive range of literature, the bookstore Walther König is an important partner of the Museum. www.staedelmuseum.de

The Archaeological Museum

Located in the reconstructed Karmeliterkirche, this museum is committed exclusively to archaeology and cultural history. Finds from the Roman settlement NIDA-Heddernheim are highlights and the museum also exhibits items from early Iran and Anatolia and a rich antiquities collection. www.archaeolmus@stadt-frankfurt.de

Dommuseum

The Dommuseum houses its collection within the cloister of the Bartholomaeus Cathedral. A tour of the Museum gives visitors insights into the dramatic history of this place of worship, once the coronation site of German Kaisers. Outstanding exhibits include some valuable finds from a Late Merovingian girl's grave from the 7th century but the largest section is the rich repository of the Cathedral's treasures. They include liturgical robes, silver and gold altar utensils and relics from the 14th to 20th centuries.

Goethehaus-Goethemuseum

Centered around Johann Wolfgang Goethe's parental home, the Museum is a combination of memorial, art gallery, manuscripts archive, print collection and library. The Goethehaus is one of Germany's most significant and popular

memorial houses. With period furniture and works of art in sixteen rooms on four floors it presents the world in which the poet spent his childhood. The art gallery illustrates the relationship of the poet to the art and artists of his day. The Goethehaus is located at Großer Hirschgraben in Frankfurt.
www.goethehaus-frankfurt.de

Historical Museum in Frankfurt

The Historical Museum offers a new permanent exhibition, "Frankfurt in the Late Middle Ages" and "From the Palatinate to the Early City." A Children's Museum offers its own exhibitions and school programs. In nearby Frankfurt Höchst, the Dépendance Kronberger Haus exhibits more than 1000 precious faïences and works of porcelain. Paintings, graphics, textiles, coins, applied arts and playthings are examples of the Museum's extensive collections. The Museum library contains more than 50,000 books. Frankfurt is also regarded as the secret capital of satirical art, a good reason for setting up the latest department - the Museum for Comic Art. The Historical Museum is located near the Römer at the Saalgasse.
www.historisches-museum@stadt-frankfurt.de

Jewish Museum

The Jewish Museum in the Rothschild Palais presents the historical development and the social and religious life of Jewish communities in Frankfurt from the 12th to the 20th century. One part of the exhibition follows the development of the Jewish community, from the beginning of Jewish settlements in Germany up to the end of Frankfurt ghetto. The Museum was built on the foundations of buildings in the former Judengasse. A permanent exhibition documents the history of this street, its inhabitants and houses in a period stretching over 350 years. The Museum is located at the Untermainkai 14-15. www.juedischesmuseum.de

Museum of World Cultures

The Museum of World Cultures, formerly the Museum of Ethnology, encourages the appreciation and respect of cultural differences as well as presenting our own culture and world view as just one of many possible ways of human life. The

Museum recognizes its responsibility to raise awareness of global issues. The Museum Gallery introduces art work by artists from the Americas, Africa, Oceania and Indonesia to a European audience. The Intercultural Atelier is an 'experimental grassroots museum' where anthropological expertise is joined with creativity in a wide range of educational programs for children and adults.
www.mdw.frankfurt.de

Concerts / Opera / Theater

Within the Rhein-Main region, you can attend live band concerts, ballets, opera, theater performances and many other shows. International pop and rock concerts often take place at the Festhalle, the Jahrhunderthalle or the Alte Oper in Frankfurt.

Check the tourist office or CD Tickets, both at Hanau's market square, for the latest schedule. At CD-Tickets you can also buy tickets for sports events. Visit their website: www.cd-tickets.de. Frankfurt also offers an online ticket service at www.frankfurt-tickets.de. Your entrance ticket is also your train ticket. All entrance tickets, excluding complimentary tickets, entitle you to use the entire RMV transportation network to and from the location where the event is taking place. For local train information visit www.rmv.de.

Messe Frankfurt

The Festhalle is located at the fairground (Messe Frankfurt) and can easily be reached by public transportation.

Arriving by train — ICE, IC, and EC connections from all over Germany and Europe converge at Frankfurt's main train station (Hauptbahnhof). The subway station directly below the train station provides connections to the suburban and subway trains of the Rhein-Main Public Transportation Authority (RMV). From Frankfurt's Hauptbahnhof, walk towards Platz der Republik and continue along Friedrich-Ebert-Anlage directly to the trade fair grounds.

Arriving by car — Autobahn A5 via the Westkreuz Frankfurt interchange takes you directly to Messe Frankfurt. Follow

the signs Messe Frankfurt or Messe. These will take you to the Rebstock grounds, where there're 15,000 parking spaces. From there a free shuttle bus will take you to the trade fair grounds and to the Festhalle.

Jahrhunderthalle

Arriving by car — Take Autobahn A66 towards Wiesbaden, and exit at Kelkheim. The signs also say Jahrhunderthalle. Follow the signs to the Jahrhunderthalle parking lot.

Alte Oper

The Alte Oper is located in the center of Frankfurt at the Opernplatz. Once you're in the city, get on the Alleenring and follow the signs to the Alte Oper. Near the Alte Oper are parking garages. Or take a train to the Frankfurt Hauptbahnhof and then take the U Bahn (underground train) to the Alte Oper stop.

Hanau

The Hanau Stadthalle is now called Congress Park Hanau. For detailed information and a schedule of events visit their website which is available in English, www.cph.de.

During the summer there are many performances at Philippsruhe Castle, the Comoedienhaus at Wilhelmsbad and the August-Schärttner-Halle. CD-Tickets and the tourist office, both at the Hanau market square, have all the schedules.

The English Theatre

The English theatre in Frankfurt has been a cultural landmark in Frankfurt for 24 years. Visit their website at www.english-theatre.org and discover everything you wish to know about the continent's largest English-language theatre.

The theatre is located at Kaiserstraße 34 and can easily be reached from the Hauptbahnhof, Taunusanlage or from the Willy-Brandt-Platz. Showtimes are Tuesday to Saturday at 7.30 p.m. and Sunday at 6 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the box-office.

Saunas

Towns that have Bad in front of their name like Bad Orb or Bad Nauheim are

spa towns that have several spas and wellness hotels.

Taunus Therme

The Taunus Therme offers thermal water pools, jacuzzis, a salt water cave, ionic wells, waterfalls, bubble beds, swimming lake, saunas for ladies and gentlemen and a separate lady's area. In Germany people visiting the sauna are usually naked. Additional services include a fitness room, massages, restaurants and a cinema. The Taunus Therme is open daily from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Wednesday, Friday and Saturday until midnight. To reach the spa, travel on A661 taking the Bad Homburg exit, #3. Weekend prices — Day Ticket € 26, 4-hour ticket €19, 2-hour ticket €14.40. Special prices for students, early birds and night owls. www.taunus-therme.de

Therma Sol

The Therma Sol at Bad Soden Salmünster features saline baths and a wave pool (open in summer). It's located at Frowin-von-Hutten-Straße 5, 63628 Bad Soden-Salmünster, (06056) 744 162. Travel on A66 towards Fulda and take the Bad Soden Salmünster exit and follow the signs to Therma Sol.

Rebstockbad

This is the number one pool in Frankfurt. Enjoy the Aloha beach, the wave pool and the Heian-Kyo-Sauna. Children can enjoy the "black hole" slide and many other water attractions. For opening hours and prices check www.rebstockbad-frankfurt.de. Zum Rebstockbad 7, 60486 Frankfurt am Main, (069) 708078.

Titus Therme

This Roman Spa and Fun pool is located in the Frankfurt shopping mall complex called Nordwestzentrum. Besides a wild-water canal, a giant water slide, swimming and non-swimming pools, you'll enjoy Roman saunas, steam baths and a restaurant. Walter-Möller-Platz 2, 60439 Frankfurt am Main, (069) 2 12-4 81 00, www.titusthermen-frankfurt.de.

Miramar Waterpark

The Miramar Waterpark is one of the most beautiful water paradises in Europe

with a wave pool, lots of entertainment for children and a huge sauna. The waterpark is located in the city of Weinheim between Frankfurt and Heidelberg. Travel south on A5 and take the Weinheimer Kreuz exit. (06021) 60000.

Künzell Rhön Therme

The main attraction is a wave pool and the kids will enjoy the water slide. The Therme offers nine sauna types as well as steam baths. The water park is located close to Fulda at 36093 Künzell, Harbacherweg 66. www.rhoen-therme.de. (0661) 34011

Swimming Pools

Heinrich Fischer Bad

The Heinrich Fischer Bad in Hanau-Lamboy has an indoor and outdoor pool area with several pools, a special area for children and babies, an Olympic-size pool, a big fun slide, a slide for children and a diving tower. BBQs are available for your use. There's also a playground for children. To get to the Heinrich Fischer Bad, drive on Lamboystraße towards the center of the city and it will lead you onto the Eugen-Kaiser-Straße. The Bad is located on the right side. Parking is available.

Entrance fees are €3 for adults and €1.50 for children. The pool is open on Monday from noon to 3:30 p.m. and 3:30 to 5 p.m. only for women, Tuesday 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Wednesday 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. If the weather is bad the pool closes at 6 p.m. (06181) 295970

Lindenaubad

Lindenaubad in Hanau-Grossauheim has indoor and outdoor pools connected by a tunnel. Located in the Lindenau, it can be reached by traveling on B8, Neuwirtshäuser Straße and going into Lindenau. Open Monday noon to 2:30 p.m., Tuesday to Thursday 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Friday 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Entrance fees: €3 for adults and €1.50 for children. (06181) 54825

Maintalbad

The Maintalbad in Maintal-Dörnigheim has indoor and outdoor pools, a special

baby pool with baby slide and toys for children. Reach the pool by traveling on A66 towards Frankfurt, take the Maintal Hochstadt-Dörnigheim exit, take a right and then at the next traffic light, turn right again and you'll see the parking lot. Opening hours: Monday closed, Tuesday 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Wednesday 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Thursday 8 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., Friday 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sundays 8 a.m. to noon. Entrance fees: €3.50 for adults, €1.75 for children six or older. (06181) 9458680

Freischwimmbad

The Freischwimmbad is an outdoor pool in the City of Langenselbold. There are pools for adults and children, slides and fountains. Reach the pool by traveling on A66 towards Fulda, take the Langenselbold exit and turn into Kinzigstraße towards the Stadtmitte. At the second traffic light (a big intersection) turn left onto Gelnhäuser Strasse, and left again onto Bahnhofstraße to Schwimmbadstraße. Opening hours: Monday to Friday 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. In September the pool is open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Entrance: €3, €1.50 for children above 6.

Freibad

The Freibad in Büdingen is an outdoor pool with a diving tower, a 225-foot fun slide, baby pool, playground, volleyball field, BBQs and more. Reach the pool by traveling on Hauptstraße through the underpass towards the town of Rinderbügen. Opening hours are daily from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Entrance fees: Adults €2.50, children €1.50.

Lakes

Strandbad Meerhofsee

The Strandbad Meerhofsee in Alzenau is a lake with a playground for children, BBQs, etc. Travel on A45 towards Aschaffenburg, take the Alzenau exit and take a right again. Enter into the Gewerbegebiet and continue straight until you see the parking lot and the Strandbad sign. Opening hours: Daily 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Entrance fees: Adults €2, children: €1, Monday to Friday after 5 p.m., €1.

Kahler See

The Kahler See in the city of Kahl is a lake with sandy beaches, miniature golf, camping sites, BBQ's, a playground and more. The entrance is next to the Seeterrasse restaurant. You can host organizational days here, but it requires prior registration. Travel on B8 towards Aschaffenburg, pass the entrance to Wolfgang Kaserne on your left and keep going straight. After the second traffic light, you'll see one lake to your left which is the Kahlersee and another to your right which is the Grosskrotzenburger Strandbad (this beach you reach by taking a right at the second traffic light). Once you see the lakes, take the first left and continue on that road until you reach the parking lot. Opening hours: Daily 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Entrance fees: Adults €3, children €1, families €5. (06186) 2250

Sports

Soccer

Soccer is the number one sport in Germany and especially in Frankfurt. The Eintracht is the team Frankfurt cheers for. Currently the Eintracht plays in the German Bundesliga (German National League). Their home is the Frankfurt Waldstadion. For the game schedule and directions check the team website at www.eintracht.de.

NFL Europe

Frankfurt's Galaxy is one of the two remaining founding teams of the NFL Europe League. The Galaxy has played in the World Bowl four times, winning the title twice, in 1995 and 1999. For tickets and schedules visit their homepage, which is also in English, www.frankfurt-galaxy.de.

Hanau-Hornets

Hanau's football team plays in the second German football league and attracts many spectators. Their home is the Herbert-Dröse-Stadion at Burgallee, adjacent to the Hanau-Wilhelmsbad train station. For information on their schedule, try outs, cheerleaders and practice times visit their English website at www.rou3.de.

Pro Basketball

The Opel-Skyliners are Frankfurt's professional basketball team. Their home

is the Ballsportthalle in Frankfurt-Hoechst. A game schedule is available in English at www.opel-skyliners.de.

Hanau Padres Baseball Team

The Hanau Padres were founded by members of the 'Hanau Hornets' football team and were soon joined by some experienced baseball players. This mixture became one of the most successful German teams during the past two years, having lost only five of their 36 games. The team moved up two leagues since its foundation and now plays in the highest Hessian league.

Anybody interested in joining the team is welcome to contact them via email at info@hanau-padres.de or by phone at (0172) 660-5480. Visit their website at www.hanau-padres.de.

The Hanau Padres baseball field is the Schutzhütte ballpark in the woods behind the Herbert Dröse stadium near the Hanau-Wilhelmsbad train station. Get on A66 and take the Hanau Nord exit towards Hanau. At the light turn right towards Maintal, follow the road past Burger King and go straight at next light over the bridge that crosses the railroad tracks in the woods, and take the next right at the light towards the Stadion. Park near the railroad crossing. Walk down the road between the railroad tracks and stadium and follow it into the woods. After a short walk the field appears on the right. Just follow the noise. A map can be found on the Hanau Padres website, click on Anfahrt.

Horse Races

The Rennclub, Frankfurt hosts several horse races during the year. Go just to watch or bet on your favorite. You'll find the race schedule in local newspapers or on their website at www.rennclub-frankfurt.de.

To reach the track, travel on A3 towards Frankfurt Airport and take the Frankfurt Süd exit towards Stadion. Follow the signs for Parkplatz Isenburger Schneise. A free shuttle service will take you to the main gate and back on race days.

Ice Hockey

The Frankfurt Lions play in the DEL, the German National Hockey League.

The team attracts many fans and it's always great fun. The Ice Arena is located at Frankfurt, Bornheimer Hang next to the Dippemess Fairground. Travel on A66 until it ends. Take a left at the traffic light and continue on Borsigallee until you reach a T-intersection. Turn right and stay on Am Erlenbruch until you reach another big T-intersection. Turn right onto Ratsweg and on your right side is the parking lot and Eissporthalle. More information is available at www.frankfurt-lions.de.

Ice Hockey for Amateurs

Starting at age 4, children can join the Frankfurt Ice Hockey Club, "Young Lions." Teams of different ages play in various leagues. Practices take place at the Frankfurt Eissporthalle. More information is available at www.young-lions.com.

Skating

Public Ice Skating

Frankfurt's Ice Rink is open to the public daily from 9 a.m. to 10.30 p.m. There are two indoor rinks, one outdoor rink and an ice track. For directions see "Ice Hockey" above. Skate rentals are available. Entrance fees: Adults €5, children and students €4. Discounts for groups are available.

Inline Hockey

Hanau has an inline hockey club with teams playing in hockey leagues of several age groups. They're always looking for new members. The club has an indoor and outdoor rink. Travel on B8 towards Maintal. After passing Burger King on your right, you'll reach a traffic light where you'll take a left (to your right is Hanau-Wilhelmsbad). When you reach a circle, and take the third exit onto Brucknerstraße. You'll see a sign for Rollsportanlage. Continue for 300 meters and take a left. Although there is a sign, the entrance is a bit hidden. For information, visit their website at www.hanauer-rec.de or call Mr. Simmich at (0179) 223-8902.

Skatetown Hanau

The Skatetown roller rink is located across from the Hornbach store on Kinzigheimer Weg 115. Entrance fees: Adults €5, children €3. The roller rink is open

Fridays 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., Saturdays 8 p.m. to 2 a.m., and Sundays 2-6 p.m. More information is available at www.skatefamily.de.

Golf

Golf-Club Hanau-Wilhelmsbad e.V., Wilhelmsbader Allee 32, 63454 Hanau-Wilhelmsbad, (06181) 8 20 71.

18-hole course built on the grounds of the former pheasant farm of the Count of Hanau.

Aschaffenburg Golfclub, Am Heigenberg 30, Hoesbach / Feldkahl, (06024) 801 87. Open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Take A3 towards Würzburg and take the Hössbach exit; continue towards Mömbris, then Rottenberg.

Golf-Club, Bad Nauheim e.V., Am Golfplatz, 61231 Bad Nauheim (06032) 2153. Nine-hole course

Golfclub Hof Trages, Hofgut Trages, 63579 Freigericht (06055) 91-380. 18-hole course

Skiing

If you want to visit some small slopes or do a little cross-country-skiing you can travel to the nearby Vogelsberg or Rhön. The Rhön offers several ski areas such as the Wasserkuppe and the Kreuzberg. The Wasserkuppe has 4 or 5 slopes and offers floodlight skiing until 10 p.m. The slopes are rather easy and there are two nice restaurants and hotels. The Kreuzberg is located in the Bavarian part of the Rhön near the town of Bischofsheim. You can ski or make a trip by ski, hiking or with your car to the Monastery on top of the Kreuzberg. You can reach the Wasserkuppe and Kreuzberg by taking A66 towards Fulda. Take the Gersfeld Autobahn exit to Gersfeld and follow the signs from there. The snow conditions number for the Rhön is (06654) 1211 and (09772) 212. Although it is in German, take a look at the Rhön homepage at www.rhoenline.de.

The Vogelsberg area also offers you beautiful outdoor experiences. The snow conditions number for the Vogelsberg is (06044) 6666 or check the website www.vogelsbergkreis.de. There are three

areas for skiing in the Vogelsberg: the Hoherodskopf with two lifts, the Taufstein and the Herchenheiner Höhe with one lift each. You'll reach these ski areas by driving on A45 towards Giessen and taking the Florstadt exit. B455 takes you to Schotten and then follow the signs to the respective areas. These areas are also nice places for hiking during the summer, especially the trip to the Monastery Kreuzberg. Here you'll still find monks who brew beer for you to enjoy at their restaurant.

Zoos

Opel-Zoo

Located on B455 between Königstein and Kronberg northwest of Frankfurt, the Opel-Zoo houses 1,000 animals representing 200 species, a petting zoo, more than 100 play and fitness activities, a science museum and an ecological trail.

Frankfurt Zoo

The Frankfurt Zoo is open every day, the hours change between summer and winter months. Alfred-Brehm-Platz 16, 60316 Frankfurt am Main. (069) 212-33735, www.zoo-frankfurt.de.

Parks

Frankfurt Palmengarten

The Palmengarten is a trust established by the citizens of Frankfurt in 1868. Over 50 acres, the gardens display beautiful and interesting plants throughout the year. In addition, the Palmengarten offers recreational activities including guided tours, summer concerts, evening festivals and exhibitions. The Palmengarten is worth a visit at any time of the year. For information, consult the English web pages at www.stadt-frankfurt.de/palmengarten. Frankfurt Palmengarten, Siesmayerstraße 61, 60323 Frankfurt

Wildlife Park Alte Fasanerie

This wildlife park is located at Hanau-Klein Auheim and it's a great place to experience wildlife in its natural habitat. Guided tours for groups are available in the English language. Contact the

414th BSB Public Affairs Office and you will be linked up with the tour guide. The park covers 250 acres with approximately 200 animals representing 40 mostly indigenous species such as wild boars, deer, reindeer, elks and wolves.

Within the park you can enjoy a picnic or simply have a nice hike. Within the park you cannot buy food or drinks, so bring your own. Only at the main entrance you'll find a small restaurant. Don't bring food for the animals. You can buy special food for the animals at the entrance. A few animals should not be fed, such as the elks and reindeer. You'll see signs that say Füttern verboten (do not feed). Pay attention to the no-smoking signs and that dogs are not allowed in the park. Guided tours usually have the opportunity to watch the feeding of the animals. The park is open April through September from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and October through March from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Travel on B43A towards Weisskirchen or on A3 and take the Klein-Auheim exit. At the exit follow the signs to Parkplatz Fasanerie. Another option is to go from Grossauheim to Klein-Auheim and get on Fasaneriestraße that takes you directly to the parking lot.

Wilhelmsbad Park

Castle grounds at Hanau-Wilhelmsbad. Castle tours: April 1 to October 29, Saturdays at 2, 3, 4 p.m., and Sundays at 11 a.m., 12, 2, 3, 4 p.m.

Amusement Parks

Lochmühle

The Lochmühle has a variety of fun rides and children can enjoy the little petting zoo. For information visit their webpage at www.lochmuehle.de. All amusement rides are included in the price, except for the pony rides. Open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Freizeitpark Lochmühle, 61273 Wehrheim / Taunus (06175) 790060.

Adventure Park Talhof

Fun, fun, fun: your family and especially your smaller children will enjoy the adventure park Talhof near Steinau. Its attractions are: Animal petting area, a large playground, a 850m toboggan-run,

a trampoline area, a wave flyer, a tube-slide, a chairlift. Opening hours: April 1 to October 15 from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Taunus Wunderland

Taunus Wunderland is an outdoor amusement park for younger children located in the Taunus mountains. Here you can walk from one fairy tale scene to another. Travel on A66 towards Rüdelsheim past Wiesbaden and get off at the Schlangenbad exit and follow the signs on B260.

Lego-Land

Legoland Deutschland is made from over 50 million Lego bricks and full of rides, shows, restaurants and interactive learning experiences. You'll find Lego-Land by traveling on A8 towards Stuttgart / München and take the Günzburg exit. Entrance fees are €19 for children 3-11 and €23 for adults. The park is open Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekends and holidays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., June to August from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. 89312 Günzburg, (08221) 700203, www.legoland.com.

Europa Park Rust

Germany's largest amusement park combines European cultures plus some of the world's best high-speed thrill rides and shows. Follow the signs off A-5 between Baden-Baden and Freiburg. 77977 Rust bei Freiburg, (01805) 776688, www.europa-park.de.

Warner Brother's Movie World

Europe's first movie and entertainment amusement park opened in 1995. You'll enjoy theme rides, shows, parades, for the whole family. Take A31 towards Bottrop and exit at Kirchhellen Nord and follow the signs. 46244 Bottrop-Kirchhellen, (02405) 899-899, www.movieworld.de.

Day Trips

Frankfurt Ebbelwei-Express

This private tram tour is surely the best and most entertaining way to get a closer look at the Euro City. You'll enjoy music, traditional Frankfurt apple wine, pretzels and the expert commentary of a tour guide. The tour streetcar winds through the apple wine district of Sachsenhausen and Frankfurt's old town center. Stadtwerke

Verkehrsgesellschaft, Frankfurt am Main, Telephone (0) 69 / 21 32 24 25, www.vgf-ffm.de or info@vgf-ffm.de. For information contact (0) 69 / 21 23 89 53 or citytours@tc.f.frankfurt.de.

Places to go

Frankfurt City Tour

Where was the famous poet Johann Wolfgang von Goethe born? Where were German emperors crowned? Why do Frankfurt's traditional apple wine glasses carry such a unique pattern? Which is the tallest skyscraper in Europe? Where does the European Central Bank have its headquarters? Frankfurt's trained and certified tour guides present the city in a total of 20 languages. A tour developed especially for school children between the ages of 6 and 10 provides the opportunity to learn more about the historical old town center and the modern metropolis of Frankfurt am Main. A visit to the Main Tower's observation platform offers visitors a magnificent view of Frankfurt and the surrounding region. For information call 49 (0) 69 / 21 23 89 53 or email citytours@tc.f.frankfurt.de.

Steinau - A day in a Fairy Tale

Steinau is the perfect city for a day trip with your family. Touch ancient times in Hesse's only dripstone cave, watch the past in the historical town, once the hometown of the Grimm Brothers and enjoy the present in a wonderful adventure park. Walk the streets of half-timbered houses, old fountains, a castle, Rathaus, St. Catherine's Church and the fairy tale fountain. But there is more to discover than the city itself. Visit the only dripstone cave in Hesse, the Teufelshöhle (Devil's Cave) presents a marvelous site of light and stone. The devil's mother-in-law is waiting for you. To reach Steinau follow A66 towards Fulda and exit at Steinau an der Strasse.

Bergwinkel

Between Rhön, Spessart and Vogelsberg the Bergwinkel (Mountain Spot) is overflowing with old castles. Discover the castle park of Ramholz or enjoy the

view over the Sinntal from the ruins of Schwarzenfels. In former times the castle of Schwarzenfels was a court of jurisdiction. It has evolved into a cultural center with many attractions. The castle is used for markets, knights' tournaments, concerts and theater plays.

Steckelsburg

The Steckelsburg near Ramholz is the birthplace of humanism. The poet and humanist Ulrich-von-Hutten was born here in 1488. You can stroll through the beautiful park, designed by Hugo von Stumm hundred of years ago, and is one of the most significant natural monuments throughout Germany. Passing the Hutten-Pavilion a footpath leads to another world. At the ruins of Steckelsburg you can have a picnic or enjoy the view over the Rhön and Spessart.

Brandenstein

The 750-year-old castle Brandenstein contains a wood museum that exhibits everything made of wood from plows to clothes pins and butter churns. The main attraction for children is a herd of goats. Liese, Lotte, Paul and all the other goats play and climb all around the castle. From September to October, when the harvest time begins, you can try your hand at making fresh apple juice called Most.

To have the typical Brotzeit in the Jagdschuppen at Brandenstein, please call the administrator Uwe Kretschmann at (06661) 3888.

To reach these castles around Schlüchtern follow A66 until the exit Schlüchtern Nord. Along the street you will find exits to your left to Schlüchtern-Elm (Brandenstein), Schlüchtern-Ramholz (Steckelsburg) and Sinntal-Schwarzenfels.

Licher Brewery

Licher is one of the favorite Hessen beers. The brewery is located on A5, exit Butzbach, and offers tours including beer and bratwurst. City of Lich, (06404) 820, www.licher.de.

Wächtersbach Ceramics

The Wächtersbach Ceramics factory produces red Christmas plates, various mugs and other ceramic items. You'll find bargains but look over the finish

since at this factory outlet you'll also find seconds. The factory store accepts US dollars. Take A66 towards Fulda and get off at the Bad Orb exit and travel towards Brachtal / Schlierbach. Pass Wächtersbach and Wächtersbach / Hesseldorf. There is large sign on the building in Schlierbach. Plenty of parking is available. Wächtersbach Ceramics - Fabrikstraße 12, 63636 Brachtal, (06053) 80122

Bad Orb

If your looking for a relaxing day in a beautiful setting, try Bad Orb located just north of Gelnhausen on A66. This beautiful town has a kurbad or health spa, a large outdoor swimming pool and fresh water swimming lake, and a great park. The highlight of the park is the Salina, which is a gigantic structure made of beams and scrub brush. Salt water flows over the scrub brush packed between the beams and creates a salty mist, which is considered very beneficial to many ailments of the body. You breath the mist as you walk through the structure and it's very refreshing treat in the heat of Summer. The town is also quite extraordinary as a river runs through the middle of it making it a very special shopping experience or just a wonderfully enjoyable afternoon. <http://www.bad-orb.de/>

Chicken Farm

Visit the Chicken Farm, called Brathähnchenfarm, for great food and a special atmosphere. The specialties are rotisserie chicken and shish kebabs and the area around the restaurant is perfect for a nice walk. The chicken farm is located at Steinau, Im Ohl 1, 0663 /228, www.brathaenchenfarm.de. Travel on A66 towards Fulda and take the Steinau an der Strasse exit. Pass the train station and take a left at the next traffic light. Turn left again at the next stop light. Follow the signs to the Brathähnchenfarm, located at the end of the road on a small hill.

Ronneburg Castle

Ronneburg Castle, located on a hill between Langenselbold and Büdingen, has a museum, a falconry and a restaurant. Demonstrations of medieval

life take place during the summer months. For their program you can go to their website at www.burg-ronneburg.de or visit the 414th BSB website "Things to Do" at www.hanau.army.mil.

The museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. except Sundays. The castle is closed in January and February. The falconry is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., except Mondays. Performances of various raptors, falcons and owls are given daily at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. (except Mondays). The restaurant at Ronneburg Castle opens at 11 a.m., except for Mondays and Tuesdays. Besides the traditional Burggrafenmahl (medieval dinner) you can also rent a special room for your activities. The medieval dinner, including the ceremony but not drinks, costs € 52. For details and reservations call (06048) 7130 or check the website at www.restaurant-ronneburg.de. Travel on A66 towards Fulda and take the Langenselbold exit. Take a left towards Langenselbold and follow the signs to Ronneburg.

Seligenstadt

Seligenstadt is only a 15 minute drive from Hanau. Explore the many old buildings like the Benedictine abbey, the Carolingian basilica or the oldest Fachwerkhaus in the city, built in 1327. You can sign up for a tour in English if you have at least 17 people, the cost for the entire group is €32.50. Contact the tourist office at (06182) 87177. A tour also takes place every Saturday at 12:30 p.m. starting at the market square. This tour however, is not in English. Once in the City you'll enjoy many cafes and restaurants. Along the Main river, you'll also find bicycle paths which can take you all the way to Frankfurt or Aschaffenburg. River tours depart from the dock near the Basilica. The cost for a 100 min trip is about €8. For a schedule check www.primus-linie.de.

A fruit and vegetable market is held every Wednesday and Saturday at the market square and from April to October there's an antique market. Seligenstadt offers many cultural events like their famous Rosenmontag Fasching parade, the international Easter egg market at the Monastery, Jazz Days, wine market,

brewery fest, the Geleitsfest and a great Christmas Market. For more information regarding Seligenstadt's history and events check the city website at www.seligenstadt.de.

Rothenburg ob der Tauber

A trip to Rothenburg is a journey back to medieval times. If you plan to visit Rothenburg, first visit their informative website which is also in English at www.rothenburg.de. Once you arrive at Rothenburg visit the tourist office at the market square, (09861) 40492, and learn about the Christmas Museum, the Imperial City Museum, the Medieval Crime Museum, the Farming Museum, the Town Hall and Tower, the Jacob's Church, the Doll and Toy Museum and the Craftsmen's House. The website also gives you driving and parking directions as well as a list of hotels. A very special experience is the walking tour of the Nachtwächter (Night Watchman), which takes place from April 1 to December 30 at 8 p.m.

Aschaffenburg

The City of Aschaffenburg is located on the Main River only a 20-minute drive from Hanau. Explore the city on your own or sign up for a guided tour by contacting the tourist information office at the Schloss Platz, (06021) 395-800. The 13th century Schloss Johannisburg was used as the second residence for the bishops of Mainz until 1803. Opening hours are from April to September daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., October to March from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., closed on Mondays. Entrance for adults costs € 2.50, children up to 15 free. In the garden of the castle you'll discover the Pompejanum, a copy of a Roman house built by King Ludwig I. Park Schönbusch was built in 1775 southwest of Aschaffenburg and is adjacent to the Fasanerie. The park is open daily from April to September from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Rüdesheim

Rüdesheim, on the Rhine River is the most famous wine village in the area. The Drosselgass, a small street full of wine cellars and restaurants, is the place to buy

wine and enjoy a good meal. Above the town a chair lift will take you up to the Niederwalddenkmal from where there's a great view over the valley. Rüdesheim attracts many international tourists, most who board boats there for Rhine river tours. For information visit the English website at www.ruedesheim.de or contact the tourist office at (06722) 19433 or email touristinfo@t-online.de.

Michelstadt / Odenwald

Michelstadt is about one hour away from Hanau and a great day trip into the famous Odenwald forest. Pick up a map before you explore the old city at the tourist office at the market square

(06061) 19433. Guided city tours are offered except on Sundays. Visit the City Church, built in 1461, the famous Fachwerk Rathaus built in 1484, the Toy Museum, the Bicycle Museum or the Einhardbasilika built in 827. The beautiful countryside is perfect for hiking. For an impression of beautiful Michelstadt see www.michelstadt.de.



With a never-ending list of “Things To Do” Hanau, Germany is a great place to get in touch with military history.

Restaurants and Bars *in the* *Hanau Military Community*



Restaurants and Bars

American

Chicago Meatpackers - Frankfurt,
Untermainanlage 8, (069) 231659

Champion's The American Sportsbar at the
Marriott Hotel - Frankfurt, Hamburger Allee
2-4,
(069) 79552463

N.Y.C. - Frankfurt, Schweizer Straße (069)
614818

Asian

Thai Bistro - Hanau, Am Freiheitsplatz
16 (06181) 508828, Good Thai food at a
reasonable price located on the corner of the
Freiheitsplatz next to the sports store. Open
every day with good lunch specials Monday
to Friday.

Lee's Garden - Bruchkoebel, Innerer Ring 6,
(06181) 740999

Hongkong Ente, Maintal-Doernigheim,
Kennedystrasse 46, (06181) 493523

Jasmin, Hanau-Gross Auheim, Rochusstrasse
25, Tel. (06181) 55371

Chang Man, Hanau-Gross Auheim,
Hauptstrasse 13, (06181) 520088

Italian

Al Camino, Hanau, Burgallee 15, (06181)
23675

Tony's Pizza, Hanau, Aschaffenburg
Strasse 1 (06181) 55372

Ristorante Paolo, Gross Auheim,
Vossvaldestrasse 3, (06181) 52300
Zum Schwanen, Hanau, Philippsruher Allee
50, (06181) 253523

Ristorante Al Boschetto, Maintal-
Doernigheim, Eschenweg 3, (06181) 45667

Da Bruno's, Niederrodenbach, Jahnstrasse 2,
Tel. (06184) 51733

Buchberggrill, Auf dem Buchberg,
63505 Langenselbold, (06184) 1201.
This restaurant is located on the top of
a hill called the Buchberg, located on
Gelnhäuser Straße between Rodenbach and
Langenselbold. Either park at the parking
lot and take a 45 minute hike to the top of
the hill or just drive up through the forest if
the road is open. On top of the Buchberg is
an observation tower for a great view of the
area. You can even see Frankfurt from there.

Ristorante La Piazzetta - Hauptstraße
63, 63486 Bruchköbel, (06181) 907676
Specialties are fish, homemade pasta and
homemade bread.

Villa Aurora - Am Kinzigsee, Langenselbold,
(06184) 63132

Ristorante La Taverna - Brentanostrasse 14,
63755 Alzenau, (06032) 5342

German

Chicken Farm Brathähnchenfarm - Steinau,
Im Ohl 1, (0663) 228, www.brathaenchenfarm.de
(see also tours and trips section)

Nordsee: You find a Nordsee restaurant in
every bigger city. It is a place where you
can buy excellent fresh fish and seafood
and where you can also have a freshly
prepared fish meal for a reasonable price.
In Hanau you find one at the corner of the
Freiheitsplatz adjacent to Karstadt and on
Fahrstraße close to Kaufhof.

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Alt Kesselstadt - Hanau,
Remisenweg 7 (06181)
259318

Spundloch, Hanau - Jakob-
Rullmann-Strasse 9
(06181) 251207

Zum Gruenen Baum - Hanau-
Klein Auheim, Obergasse 7
(06181) 60363

Anker, Historischer
Landgasthof - Hanau,
Ankergasse 1 (06181) 259747

Dragonerbau -
Langenselbold, Schlosspark 7
(06181) 937474

Zur goldenen Krone
- Maintal-Hochstadt,
Hauptstrasse 18 (06181)
431470

Ranfoldskeller -
Neuberg-Ravolzhausen,
Friedrichstrasse 13 (06181)
901919

Barbarossa - Oberrodenbach,
Somborner Str. 24

Stein's Restaurant -
Niederrodenbach, Hanauer
Landstrasse 21, (06184)
50900

Roemer Hof - Erlensee,
Limesweg 15, (06183)
9160150

Eulenspiegel -
Grosskrotzenburg, Am See
(06186) 1475
Altes Zollhaus - Frankfurt,

Friedberger Landstraße 531
(069) 472707 The meals here
are expensive but excellent,
the restaurant is in a two-
hundred year old customs
station.

Dampflok – “Special-
event restaurant” Am
Hauptbahnhof 14, Hanau
train station (06181) 31405,
www.dampflokhanau.de

Ronneburg Castle - The
restaurant at Ronneburg
Castle opens at 11 a.m.,
except Mondays and
Tuesdays. Besides the
traditional Burggrafenmahl
(medieval dinner) you can
also rent a special room
for your activities. Dates
for medieval dinners are
listed on their website. The
medieval dinner including the
ceremony costs €52, drinks
not included. For details and
reservations call (06048)
7130 or see the website at
www.restaurant-ronneburg.de.

Hotel-Restaurant Sonnenberg
- Sudetenstraße 4-6, 63654
Büdingen
(06042) 3051 / 3052,
email [info@sonnenberg-
Budingen.de](mailto:info@sonnenberg-Budingen.de), website
www.sonnenberg-Budingen.de

Hotel-Restaurant Fuerstenhof
- Neustadt 37, Büdingen,
(06042) 96040, email
fuerstenhof@Budingen.net.

Gasthof und Hotel Bleffe
- Altstadt 21 – 23, 63654
Büdingen, (06042) 2508,
email bleffe@Budingen.net,

website www.bleffe.com

Hotel-Restaurant Burgmühle
- Burgstraße 2, 63571
Gelnhausen, (06051) 82050
email burgmuehle@ecos.net

Hotel-Gasthof, Burgschänke
- Burgstraße 19, 63571
Gelnhausen, (06051) 2915

Hotel und Restaurant -
Schloßstuben, Schloßgasse
14, 63654 Büdingen (06042)
970510, email stuetor@aol.de
website [www.hotel-
schlosstuben.de](http://www.hotel-
schlosstuben.de)

Hotel-Restaurant, Stadt-
Schänke, Fürstenhofstraße 1,
63571 Gelnhausen (06051)
16051, email [hotel-stadt-
schaenke@t-online.de](mailto:hotel-stadt-
schaenke@t-online.de)

Zum Goldenen Stern - Alte
Langgasse 16, 63457 Hanau-
Großauheim, (06181) 992662,
website [www.goldener-stern-
gra.de](http://www.goldener-stern-
gra.de)

Hotel-Restaurant Römerhof
- Römerstr. 20, 63450 Hanau,
(06181) 9278-0, website
www.roemerhof-hanau.de
(Specialties are steaks, fish,
Dalmatian food)

Restaurant Brasserie -
Muehlstrasse, 63450 Hanau,
(06181) 1890835

Landhaus Herrnmühle
- Herrnmühle 4, 63755
Alzenau., (06023) 5080 This
restaurant and hotel offers
German and gourmet meals

Restaurants and Bars

of various prices. It's great for weddings, family celebrations and conferences.

Hotel-Restaurant Dreispitz - Offenbacher Strasse 86, 63165 Mühlheim, (061) 8-90980, website www.dreispitz-hotel.de

Ratskeller - Hauptstraße 52, 63486 Bruchköbel, (06181) 76650 Specialty is various fish meals and Monday's Schnitzel night.

Hotel Villa Stokkum - Steinheimer Vorstadt 70, Hanau-Steinheim, (06181) 6640, website www.villastokkum.bestwestern.de. This restaurant offers a Sunday brunch, steaks, oriental wraps, fish and pasta. It's a great place to celebrate family affairs or hold conferences.

Engel am Zollturm - Alte Langgasse 32, 63457 Hanau-Großauheim, (06181) 52868, website www.engelamzollturm.de, This restaurant offers traditional German food and Thursday is Schnitzel Day. Steffen's Restaurant - Indaginstrasse 2, 63456 Hanau-Steinheim, (06181) 670789

Gaststätte Alte Schule - Orleshaeusener Hauptstrasse 66, 63654 Büdingen-Orleshausen, (06042) 979-300. This restaurant is located in a former school building

built in 1769, with an interior decorated with antiques. Schnitzels are the specialty.

Hotel Barbarossa - Somborner Straße, 63517 Ober-Rodenbach, (06181) 95850, website www.barbarossa-hotel.de, This German restaurant offers good wines, fresh fish and venison.

Greek

Buergerhaus, Maintal-Hochstadt, Bahnhofstrasse 171, (06181) 431734

Hellas, Maintal-Dörnigheim, Eichenhege 17, (06181) 491711

El Greco, Maintal-Dörnigheim, Zeppelinstraße 54, (06181) 491090

South African

Cape Town Lounge - Hanau, Hessen-Homburg-Platz 1, (06181) 1807780 website www.capetown-hanau.de, Open daily from 10 a.m. and Saturdays from 6 p.m. The Cape Town Lounge serves very nicely prepared food, small sandwiches and excellent South African wines.

Mexican

Crazy Cactus - Hanau- Klein Auheim, Alter Weg 5, (06181) 60025

Chi Chi's - Hanau, Chemnitzer Strasse 2, (06181) 160646

El Pacifico - Frankfurt, Sandweg 79, (069) 446988

Cantina y bar Cuervo, Kinzigstrasse 1, Langenselbold, (06184) 930800

Dos Amigos - Hotel Grahn - Landwehr 1, Hanau, (06181) 93350

Spanish

Restaurant EL Toro - Forellenstraße 6, 63452 Hanau-Nord, at the Birkensee swimming lake. (06181) 13501

Cuban

Havana Bar, Cocktail Bar, Restaurant, Biergarten - Hanau-Wilhelmsbad, Burgallee 127, (06181) 840300

Cubaña Cantina y Bar - Große Dechaneistraße 24, 63450 Hanau, email info@cubana-hanau.de, website www.cubana-hanau.de, (0700) 111-00-999

Steakhouse

Sam's Steakhaus - Hanau, Lindenstrasse 4, (06181) 20737
Steakhaus - Langenselbold, Bahnstraße 11a, (06184) 3508

Gourmet Restaurants

Hessler - Maintal-Doernigeheim, Am Bootshafen 4, (06181) 4303-0
Wine Cellar

Restaurants and Bars

Zur Babbelgass - Maintal-Hochstadt, Hauptstrasse 47, (06181) 48644

Gassenhauer - Neuberg-Ruedigheim, Markoebeler Strasse 2, (06185) 2499

Weinhaus Hagenfeld - Hauptstraße 26a, 63546 Hammersbach-Marköbel, (06185) 2220, website www.weinhaus-hagenfeld.de, The specialties are truffles, fish, lamb, lobster and venison.

Weinhaus am Markt - Friedrich-Ebert-Strasse 6, 61130 Nidderrau-Windecken, (06187) 22011. This restaurant has a cosy atmosphere, serving traditional German and international meals and excellent wines.

Apple-wine Restaurants

Ebbelwei Schaenke - Maintal-Hochstadt, Am Rathaus 1, (06181) 441144

Zum Gemalten Haus - Frankfurt, Schweizer Strasse 67, (069) 614559

Zum Wagner - Frankfurt, Schweizer Strasse 71, (069) 612565

Solzer - Frankfurt, Berger Strasse, (069) 604521

Zum Eichkatzerl - Frankfurt, Dreieichstrasse 29, (069) 617480

Zum Rad - Frankfurt-Seckback, Leonhardsgasse 2, (069) 479128, www.Zum-Rad.de

Pubs, Bars & Discos

Down Under, Australian Pub - Bruchköbel Industrial Zone

Whiskey A Go-Go, Piano & Whiskybar - Marktstraße 13, Am Goldschmiedehaus (Altstadt-Hanau), www.whiskyagogo-hanau.de open daily from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Jazzkeller - Hanau, Philippsruher Allee 22, (06181) 259965

Pascha's Disco / Dance Café - Erlensee, Rhönstraße 9, (06183) 1072, www.tanzcafe-pascha.de

Irish Pub - Hanau, Industrieweg (Dunlop), (0162) 866-7064 email bert.nenner@irishpub-hanau.de, website www.irishpubhanau.de, open daily from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m., on Fridays, Saturdays and German Holidays until 3 a.m.

Culture Club - This bar, restaurant and club offers special parties and themes and a shuttle service. Hanau-Wolfgang, Vor der Pulvermuehle, website www.cultureclub-hanau.de

King Kamehameha Club - Frankfurt, Hanauer Landerstrasse 196A, website www.king-kamehameha.de

OneNinetyEast Club - Frankfurt, Hanauer Landstrasse 190, website www.190east.de

Champion's The American Sportsbar at the Marriott Hotel - Frankfurt, Hamburger Allee 2-4, (069) 79552463

N.Y.C. - Frankfurt, Schweizer STrs. (069) 614818

Shooters House, American Sportsbar - Illertstraße 2, 63456 Hanau (Steinheim), www.shooters-house.com

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If you can't find the answer to your questions in this "Welcome to Hanau" booklet, contact Army Community Service at DSN 322-8965 / 8963 or (06181) 88-8965/8963.

Emergency Numbers

Military Police (06181) 88-114,
DSN 114

German Police 110

Fire Department (06181) 88-117,
DSN 117

Mental Health (06181) 500-6777

Red Cross

(07031) 15334, DSN 431-2334

Social Work Services

(06181) 88-9180

Krankenhaus / Hospital (06181) 2960

Ambulance

(06181) 88-114, DSN 114

Operator / Information (06181) 88-113,
DSN 113

Taxi

(06181) 24111

Emergency Work Order (06181) 88-115,
DSN 115

Post Locator

DSN 484-8428

Emergency Operation Centers

104th Area Support Group DSN 322-8291 /
9452

414th Base Support Battalion DSN 322-8203

130th Engineer Brigade DSN 322-8848

16th Combat Support Group

DSN 323-2007

4th Aviation Brigade

DSN 322-7401

5/7th Air Defense Artillery

DSN 322-9300

1/1 Cavalry Squadron

DSN 321-4805

Dialing the phone

When dialing a military number from a civilian telephone, dial the city code (if outside the city limits), the military access number and the last numbers in the military number as shown below.
Büdingen: 06042-80-Last three of the DSN number.

Fliegerhorst DSN 322: 06183-51-Last four of DSN number.

Gelnhausen: 06051-81-Last three of DSN number.

Hanau DSN 322: 06181-88-Last four of DSN number.

Hanau DSN 328: 06181-500-Last four of the DSN number.

When dialing a military number from a civilian telephone in the U.S., dial:

Büdingen: 011-49-6042-80-Last three of the DSN number.

Fliegerhorst: 011-49-6183-51-Last four of the DSN number.

Gelnhausen: 011-49-6051-81-Last three of the DSN number.

Hanau DSN 322: 011-49-6181-88-Last four of the DSN number.

Hanau DSN 328: 011-49-6181-500-Last four of the DSN number.

Making a Long Distance Call

Calling Collect to the U.S:

0010-(area code) - phone number

Calling Direct to the U.S:

00-1-(area code) - phone number

Calling from the U.S. to Germany:

011-49-(no 0) - phone number

Calling a stateside DSN line from a Class A DSN Line in Germany:

312 + 7 digit DSN

Whenever you dial a German telephone number from outside of Germany, you drop the first number (the 0). So, if you want to call DSN 322-8963 from within Germany you dial (06181) 88-8963. From the U.S. you dial 011-49-6181-88-8963.

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AAFES

Human Resources
DSN 322-8329 /
(06181) 958-4401
Exchange Manager
(06181) 95840

Army Career Alumni Program

ACAP
DSN 322-8356 / 8308
Job Assistance Center
DSN 322-8356
Transition Center
DSN 322-8731

Army Community Service

ACS
DSN 322-8965
Family Advocacy
DSN 322-9360
Fliegerhorst Outreach
Center, DSN 322-7759
Wolfgang Outreach
Center, DSN 322-5311

Army Emergency Relief

Pioneer
DSN 322-9525

American Forces Network

AFN Commander
DSN 329-4240
News, DSN 329-4301
Public Affairs Office
DSN 329-4150

Airport /Air Field

Operations Fliegerhorst
Kaserne, DSN 322-7564

Area Support Teams

Hanau
DSN 322-8890
Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7471

Arts & Crafts

Arts & Crafts
DSN 322-8082
Music Center
DSN 322-8008

Auto Repairs / Parts /

Auto Crafts Center
DSN 322-8247 / 8625

Car Care Center
(06181) 54011
Gas Station at Pioneer
(06181) 56806
Gas Station
on Wolfgang
(06181) 969-120
Pov Holding Lot
DSN 322-8523

Banks / Credit Unions

Andrews Credit Union
DSN 322-8062 /
(06181) 95380
Community Bank
Wolfgang, DSN 322-
8064 / (06181) 950-160
Fliegerhorst Community
Bank, DSN 322-7458 /
(06183) 517-265

Barber Shops

Pioneer
DSN 322-9566
Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7966
Wolfgang
(06181) 572-787
Hutier
DSN 322-2709 /
(06181) 888-709
Büdingen
DSN 321-4749
Beauty Shops
Wolfgang
(06181) 572-948
Pioneer
(06181) 954-3232
Nail Place
(06181) 573-499

Billeting

Billeting
DSN 322-1700 / 8357
or (06181)-9550

Book Stores

Wolfgang
(06181) 573-467
Fliegerhorst
(06183) 517-382
DSN 322-7549

Bowling Centers

Hessen Bowling Center
Wolfgang DSN
322-8534 / 8638
06181-572969

Car Rental

Sixt
(06181) 571-188
Car Sales
BMW Military Sales
(06181) 573-283
Chrysler / Harley
Davidson
(06181) 54416
Ford
(06181) 56823
General Motors
(06181) 55602
Honda
(06181) 51558
Military Car Sales
Center, (06181) 575-712
Volvo
(06181) 573-130

Community Counseling Center

ADCO
DSN 322-8762
Pioneer
DSN 322-8911
Central Processing
Facility
In / Out-processing 55th
PSB
DSN 322-8412 / 8417
In /Out-processing
DSN 322-8602 / 8431 /
8427
In-processing Training
Center
DSN 322-8952 / 8394
Transition Point
DSN 322-8731

Chaplains / Chapels

ASG Chaplain
DSN 322-1370 / 8475
BSB Chaplain
DSN 322-1570
Chapel Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7767 / 7579
Chapel Pioneer
DSN 322-7767 / 7579

Check Control

Check Control
DSN 322-8418

Child Care / Child Development Center

Registration
DSN 322-9144
CDC Coordinator
DSN 322-8540
CDC Argonner

DSN 322-8083 / 9263
CDC Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7821 /
(06181) 517-304
Gelnhausen
(06051) 4169
Büdingen
DSN 322-4746 / 4720
Family Child Care
Pioneer
DSN 322-8458
School Age Services
Gelnhausen
(06051) 4307
School Age Services
Büdingen
DSN 321-4793
School Age Services
Sportsfield
DSN 322-8155

Criminal Investigation Command

Administration
DSN 323-2303
SAIC
DSN 323-2863
EC / GC
DSN 323-2650

Central Issue Facility

Pioneer
DSN 322-8159

Class Six Store

Class Six Wolfgang
Shoppette
(06181) 969-120
Class Six Büdingen
(06042) 6175

Clubs

International Club,
Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7509
(06183) 517-611
International Club
Catering
DSN 322-7267 / 7266

Emergency Action Centers

EAC After duty hours
DSN 323-2291
EAC Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7401

Commissary

DSN 322-8323 / 8736
8992

Notes:

Hanau Phone Directory

Notes:

Wolfgang Commissary
DSN 322-8736
Fliegerhorst
Commissary Annex
DSN 322-7408
Gelnhausen
(06051) 4266

Community Staff
104th ASG Commander
DSN 322-1300
104th ASG Executive
Officer DSN 322-1310
104th ASG Sgt. Major
DSN 322-1320
BSB Commander
DSN 322-1500
BSB Executive Officer
DSN 322-1510
BSB Sgt. Major
DSN 322-1520

**Civilian Personnel
Advisory Center**
Job Information
DSN 323-2242
Director
DSN 322-1430
Information Service
Division
DSN 322-1630, DSN
323-2473
Management Employee
Relations
DSN 323-2758, DSN
323-2244
NAF Job Information
DSN 323-2172
NAF
DSN 323-2287

**Personnel
Management
Specialist**
DSN 323-2355
Personnel Officer
DSN 323-2906

**Director of
Community Activities**
ASG Director
DSN 322-1350
BSB Director
DSN 322-1550 / 8270
Recreation Director
DSN 323-2656
NAF Contracting
DSN 323-2173

Dial Central Office Chief

DSN 322-1649
Technicians
DSN 322-8500

Dental Clinic
Appointments Hanau
DSN 328-6520 / 6521 /
6522
Appointments Büdingen
DSN 321-4862 / 4729

Dining Facilities
Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7752
Hutier
DSN 323-2930 / 2402
Pioneer
DSN 322-8090
Underwood
DSN 322-9385

Director of Logistics
ASG Director
DSN 322-1340
BSB Director
DSN 322-1540
Property Book Office
DSN 322-8747
Petroleum, Oil and
Lubrications Point
DSN 322-8820

Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security

ASG Director
DSN 322-1330 /
323-3541
BSB Director
DSN 322-1530

Directorate of Public Works

Work Order
DSN 322-8601
Administration
DSN 322-8264
Director
DSN 322-8320
DPW / BSB Engineer
DSN 322-1560
Buildings & Grounds
DSN 322-8440 / 8770
Contract Management
DSN 322-8802
Heating
DSN 322-8025
Environmental Officer

DSN 322-8079
Plans
DSN 322-8777
Property Control
DSN 322-8186
Self Help Pioneer
DSN 322-8200
Self Help Büdingen
DSN 321-4778
Utilities
DSN 322-8025

Drivers Testing

Drivers Testing
DSN 322-8769
Driver's Training
DSN 322-9107

Director of Resource Management

Director
DSN 322-1410 /
323-3408
Manpower Division
DSN 323-3209
Management Strategic
Plan
DSN 323-3209 / 3401
Budget Division
DSN 322-1414

Education Centers and Colleges

Digital Training Facility
DSN 322-9718
Education Counselor
DSN 322-8380
Embry Riddle
Aeronautical University
DSN 322-5436
Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7533
Registrar Pioneer
DSN 322-8314
Registrar Hanau-North
DSN 323-2452
Central Texas College
Headquarters Argonner
DSN 322-8851
Central Texas Registrar
Pioneer
DSN 322-5410
University Of Phoenix
Registrar
DSN 322-5416
University Of Phoenix
Registrar
(06181) 507-9891
University Yorkhof
DSN 323-2317

ESO
DSN 322-9595

Equal Employment Opportunity

EEO 104th ASG
DSN 323-2834 / 2061
EEO 414th BSB
DSN 322-9458 / 8674

Equal Opportunity- Military

EO, DSN 323-2834 /
8012 / 8021
EO 414th BSB
DSN 322-8839

Finance

Financial Services
DSN 322-8805
In / Out-processing
DSN 322-8920
Travel Branch
DSN 322-8414 / 8390
39 Finance Battalion
Executive Officer
DSN 322-1730 / 8824
Headquarters
Detachment
Commander
DSN 322-8002

Fire Department

Fire Station Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7496 / 7779,
(06183) 517-917

Fuel Point

Fliegerhorst Tank Farm
DSN 322-7290

Hanau Phone Directory

Gates / Guards

Fliegerhorst Kaserne
DSN 322-7401
Francois Kaserne
DSN 323-2221
Grossauheim Gate
DSN 322-8085
Hutier Kaserne
DSN 323-3548
Pioneer Kaserne
DSN 322-8745
Ponds Security
(06181) 889-298
Ponds Security
Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7775
Wolfgang Kaserne Main
Gate, DSN 322-8798
Yorkhof Kaserne
DSN 323-3641
Büdingen
DSN 321-4507
New Argonner
DSN 322-9943
Old Argonner
DSN 322-8791

Gyms

Pioneer Kaserne
DSN 322-8197
Cardwell Housing
DSN 323-2607
Fliegerhorst Kaserne
DSN 322-7672
Büdingen
DSN 321-4737

Health Clinic

Appointments / Family
Practice
DSN 328-6601 / 6600
Commander / 1st Sgt.
/Administration
DSN 328-6664
Champus
DSN 328-6692
Community Health
Nurse
DSN 328-6695
Enrollment
DSN 328-6608
Eye Clinic
DSN 328-6605
Family Practice
DSN 328-6656
Health Benefits Advisor
DSN 328-6608

Health Care Finder

DSN 328-6610
Medical Records
DSN 328-6707
Mental Health
DSN 328-6777
Obstetrics and
Gynecology
DSN 328-6612
Occupational Health
DSN 322-8557
Pharmacy
DSN 328-6604
Physical Exams
DSN 328-6696
Physical Therapy
DSN 328-6683
Social Work Services
DSN 322-9278
Triage
DSN 328-6600
Tricare Claims
DSN 328-6686
Tricare Enrollment
DSN 328-6608

Hotels

Guest House
(06181) 9550,
DSN 322-1700 / 8357

Household Goods / Hold Baggage

In-bound
DSN 322-8047
Out-bound
DSN 322-8410

Housing

Government Housing
DSN 322-9227
Government Housing
DSN 322-9228
Housing Referral Office
DSN 322-9195 / 9196
Central Furniture
Management Office,
Appointments
DSN 322-8431 / 9228
Central Furniture
Management Office,
Warehouse
DSN 322-8981

ID Cards / Passports

Installation Access
Control Office
DSN 322-9009

ID Cards

DSN 322-8793

Passports

DSN 322-8415

Inspector General

Inspector General
DSN 322-1420 /
2022 / 2238

Installation Coordinator

Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7735
Grossauheim
DSN 322-8224
Underwood
DSN 322-9300
Yorkhof
DSN 323-2956
Installation Passes
Office
DSN 322-8048

Kontakt

Kontakt
DSN 322-8202

Laundromats

Pioneer
(06181) 51121
Quartermaster Laundry
(06181) 55474

Legal Assistance- Claims

Legal Assistance
DSN 322-8993
Claims
DSN 322-8392
Officer in Charge
DSN 322-8429
Criminal / Military
Justice
DSN 322-8756
Trial Defense
DSN 322-8597

Libraries

Pioneer
DSN 322-9033 / 8942
Büdingen
DSN 321-4739

Locator Service

Area Locator Pioneer
DSN 322-8918

Mail Rooms

Consolidated Mailroom,
CMR 470
DSN 322-9496
Fliegerhorst CMR 477
DSN 322-7561 / 7408
Hutier CMR 412
DSN 323-3279
CMR 401
DSN 321-4772

Military Affiliate Radio Service

Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7683

Military Clothing Sales Store

Wolfgang
(06181) 55023

Military Police

Desk Sergeant
DSN 323-2321 / 2749,
(06181) 160-579
Traffic Investigations
DSN 322-9009
MPI Investigations
DSN 323-2317
DARE
DSN 323-2855
MP Customs
DSN 322-8865
MP Hotline
DSN 323-2110
OPNS
DSN 323-2666
Physical Security
DSN 323-2434
PMO
DSN 323-2222
Traffic Section
DSN 323-2686
German Police Liaison
(06181) 160-579
Road Conditions
SN 23-2661

Morale Welfare Recreation

DSN 322-1550 / 8270

Movement Control Team

15 MCT Administration
DSN 322-7864

Notes:

Hanau Phone Directory

Notes:

Hanau Movement
Control Team
DSN 322-8237

Optical Shops

Optical Shop
Mobile Phone
(0170) 322-2511
Optical Shop

Network

Service Center

NSC Chief
DSN 322-1646
Help Desk
DSN 322-1640
Network Management
DSN 322-1645
System Administrator
DSN 322-1642
Tier III Maintenance
DSN 322-8504
DCO Chief
DSN 322-1649
Official Mail
DSN 322-9312

Public Affairs Office

ASG PAO
DSN 322-1400
BSB PAO
DSN 322-1600
Chief /Community
Relations
DSN 322-8277
Herald Union
Newspaper
DSN 323-3257
Kontakt Coordinator
DSN 322-8277
Stars & Stripes
Circulation
(0130) 840-048
Advertising
DSN 349-8349, (06155)
601-349
News
DSN 349-8237,
(06155) 60137

Photo Lab

Photo Lab AAFES
DSN 322-8063
Image Gallery, MWR
DSN 322-8082

Provost Marshal Operations

ASG PMO
DSN 322-1380 / 2666
BSB PMO
SN 322-1580

Army Post Office

Hanau
DSN 322-8683
Büdingen
DSN 321-4870

Postal Officer
DSN 322-9386

Post Exchange

Main PX
DSN 322-8603
Four Seasons
(06181) 95840
Furniture Store
(06181) 958-4229
Optical Shop
(06181) 573-901
Sid's Gift Shop
(06181) 573-191
Sports Store
(06181) 958-4226
Willi Geck
(06181) 572-793

Recreation Services

Community Recreation
Division 104th ASG
DSN 323-2656
Community Recreation
Division 414th BSB
DSN 322-8391
Outdoor Recreation
DSN 322-8891
Kid's Zone Wolfgang
DSN 322-9013
(06181) 572-146

Recruiting Services

Army Recruiting
DSN 322-8362
National Guard
DSN 322-8694

Red Cross

Red Cross
DSN 322-1760
Field Director, Pioneer
DSN 322-8205

Safety Office

Safety Officer
DSN 322-5023 /1670

Schools

Schools Officer
DSN 322-1770
Cafeteria New Argonner
DSN 322-9010

Argonner Elementary
School

DSN 322-8374
Elementary School
Argonner, Principal
DSN 322-8819
Elementary School
Nurse
DSN 322-8737
Elementary School
Sportfield
DSN 322-8600 / 8990
Middle School Main
Office
DSN 322-8647 / 8649
(06181) 906-9710
Middle School Library
DSN 322-8617
High School Principal /
Registrar
DSN 322-8714 / 8024
/ 8165 (06181) 55711 /
52676 / 51283

High School Counselor
DSN 322-8285

School Bus Office
(06181) 572-391
Gelnhausen School
(06051) 13011 / 13012
Head Start
DSN 322-7576

Service Mart

Pioneer
DSN 322-8245
Fliegerhorst
(06183) 7511
Gelnhausen
(06051) 1822

Gas / Service Station

AAFES Gas Station
(06181) 56806
Wolfgang
(06181) 969-120

Ship / Self-Help Issue Point

Self-Help Materials
DSN 322-8200
Büdingen
DSN 321-4778

Shoppette

Hutier
(06181) 181-196
Pioneer
(06181) 55436
Wolfgang
(06181) 969-120

Fliegerhorst
(06183) 517-382
DSN 322-7595

Staff Judge Advocate

Officer in Charge
DSN 322-8429
Administrative Law
DSN 322-8640
Criminal /Military
Justice DSN 322-8756
Court Reporter
DSN 322-9192
Legal Assistance
DSN 322-8993
Trial Defense
DSN 322-8597 / 8742
Staff Judge Advocate
Pioneer DSN 322-8742
Legal Assistance
Fliegerhorst
DSN 322-7775

Snackbar / Canteen / Restaurant

Anthony Pizza / Frank's
Franks
(06181) 573-761
Baskin Robbins
(06181) 55904
Burger King
(06181) 55828
Fliegerhorst Burger Bar
(06183) 517-700
German Kantine
DSN 322-9322
Pioneer Burger Bar
(06181) 55169
Popeye's
(06181) 51170
Sunrise Grill
DSN 322-9149
Taco Bell
(06181) 954-0365

Hanau Phone Directory

Self Service Supply Center

Self Service Supply Center
DSN 322-9536 / 9521
Self Service Supply Center Local Purchase Section
DSN 322-9522

Sports

Sports Office
DSN 322-9617

Tailor Shop

Alterations Shop
Wolfgang
(06181) 56118
Alterations Shop
Fliegerhorst
(06183) 517-300

Tax Relief/ Assistance

Tax Relief (VAT)
Community Activities Center DSN 322-7509
Tax Assistance
DSN 322-9577
H&R Block
(06181) 574779

Movie Theaters

Evening Star, Pioneer
DSN 322-1790

Thrift Shops

Thrift Shop Hanau
DSN 322-8847
Thrift Shop Büdingen
DSN 321-4273

TKS

Telecommunications Office
TKS Cable Office
Hanau
(06181) 520-538
TKS Cable Office
Büdingen
(0642) 950-607

Transportation Motor Pool

Dispatcher
DSN 322-1800 / 8232
Consolidated Maintenance Shop
DSN 322-8161
Motor Maintenance
DSN 322-8921

School Bus
(06181) 572-391

Training Area

Campo Pond
DSN 322-8070

Training Support Center

Training Support Center
DSN 322-8833
Department of the Army
Army Photos
DSN 322-8020

Transportation

Household Goods
In-bound
DSN 322-8047
Household Goods
Out-bound
DSN 322-8410
Inspection Pioneer
DSN 322-8123
Transportation Movement Pioneer
DSN 322-8237
ITO
DSN 322-9323
Port Call
DSN 322-8436

Travel / Tours

Sato Duty Travel / Port Call
DSN 322-8436
Sato
(06181) 95370

United Services Organization

USO
DSN 322-8725

Vehicle Inspection

Vehicle Inspection
DSN 322-8101

Vehicle Registration

Vehicle Registration
Pioneer DSN 322-8115

Vehicle Shipping

Mainz Kastel Vehicle Shipping
DSN 334-2723
Hanau Transportation

Office

DSN 322-8047
POV Holding Lot
DSN 322-8523

Veterinarian

Veterinary Clinic
DSN 322-8160

Video Rentals

Pioneer Video Rental
(06181) 51950
Wolfgang Video Store
(06181) 958-4224

Weapons Registration

Weapons Registration
DSN 322-8115

Woman Infant Child Program

WIC Program
DSN 322-9636

Works Council

Works Council
DSN 322-8822

Youth Services

Director Sportsfield
DSN 322-8155
Youth Services / Teen Center
DSN 322-8231
Gelnhausen
(06051) 4307
Girl Scouts
(06181) 184-382

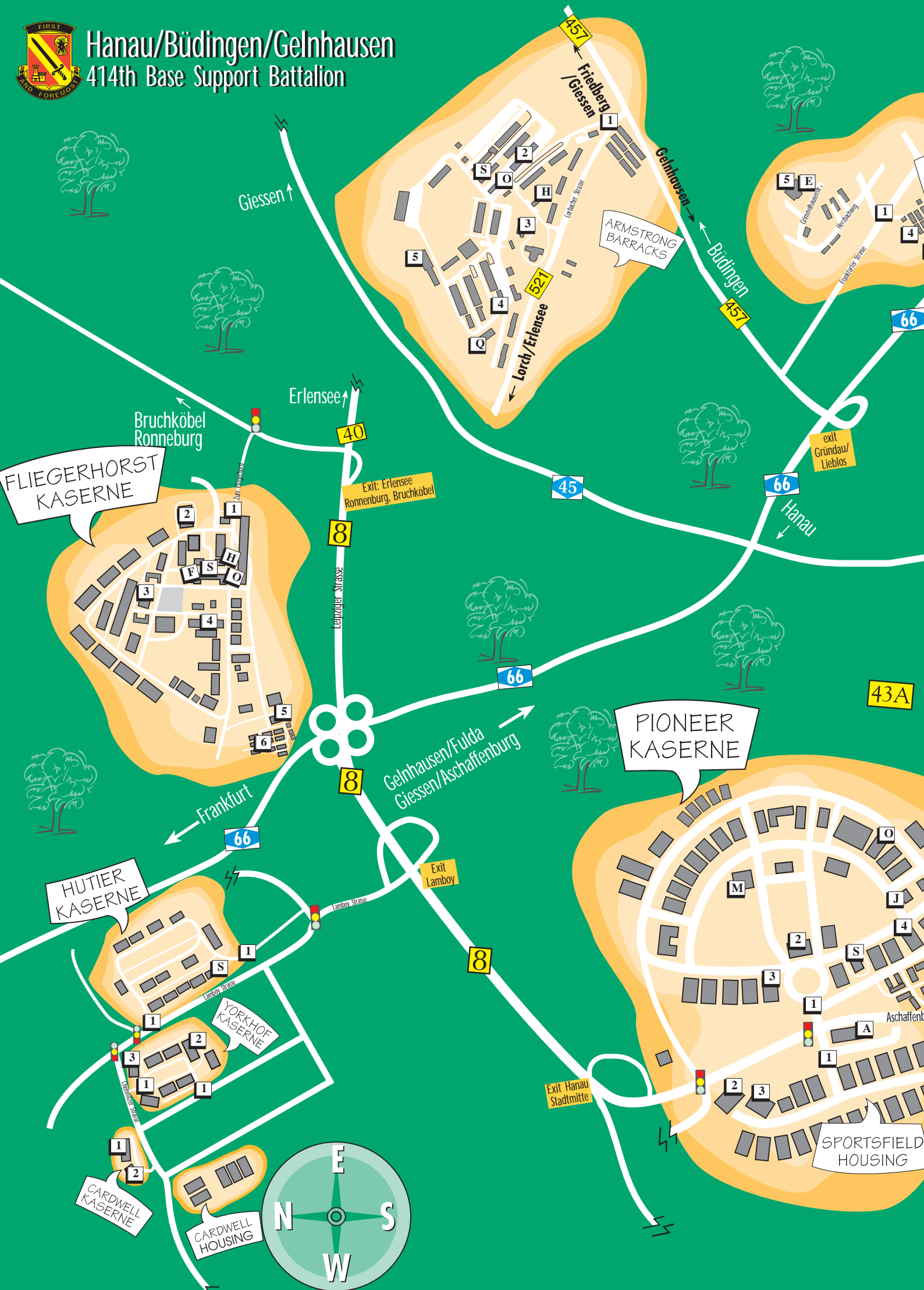
414th BSB Units

5 / 7 ADA
DSN 322-9300
ACM (3rd COSCOM LNO)
DSN 323-2835
15th Movement Control Team
DSN 322-7865
16th Corp Support Group
DSN 323-2486
HHC, 16th Corp Support Group
DSN 323-2499
19th Maintenance
DSN 322-9413
26th Quartermaster
DSN 323-2278

38th Engineers

DSN 322-9178
39th Finance Battalion
DSN 322-9238
55th Personnel Support Battalion
DSN 322-9602
55th Postal
DSN 322-8310
71st Ordnance
DSN 323-3086
102nd Signal
DSN 322-1640
130th Engineer Battalion
DSN 322-8959
HHC, 130th Engineer Battalion
DSN 322-8940
485th Corp Support Battalion
DSN 323-2949
165th Military Intelligence
DSN 322-8816
560th Military Police (Customs)
DSN 322-8865
4th Brigade
DSN 322-7689
HHC, 4th Brigade
DSN 322-7553
127th Aviation Support Battalion
DSN 322-7440
127th Military Police Company
DSN 322-7350
1 / 501st Aviation Regiment
DSN 322-7660
2 / 501st Aviation Regiment
DSN 322-7724
3 / 58th Air Traffic Control
DSN 322-7495
709th Military Police Battalion
DSN 322-7828

Notes:



Büdingen

- 1 Front Gate
- 2 Bldg. 2207: Army Community Service (ACS)/Library
- 3 Bldg. 2330: Youth Services
- 4 Bldg. 2223: Child Development Center (CDC)
- 5 Bldg. 1422: Büdingen Fitness Center

Cardwell Kaserne

- 1 Bldg. 1281: Cardwell Fitness Center
- 2 Bldg. 1280: School of the Arts

Fliegerhorst Kaserne

- 1 Front Gate
- 2 Bldg. 1376: Fliegerhorst Fitness Center
- 3 Bldg. 1355: The International, CAC Value Added Tax (VAT) Office
- 4 Bldg. 1351: Fliegerhorst Outreach Center
- 5 Bldg. 1381: Child Development Center (CDC)
- 6 Fliegerhorst Housing

Gelnhausen

- 1 Front Gate
- 2 Bldg. 1827: Youth Services/School Age Services
- 3 Bldg. 1835/1838: Child Development Center (CDC)
- 4 Housing
- 5 Bldg. 1617: Coppertop Lounge

Grossauheim

- 1 Front Gate
- 2 Bldg. 625: Auto Crafts Center/NAF Motor Pool
- 3 Bldg. 685: Hanau Rod & Gun Club

Hutier Kaserne

- 1 Front Gate

New Argonner

- 1 Front Gate
- 2 Bldg. 200: Galaxy Teen Center
- 3 Bldg. 251: High School
- 4 Bldg. 249: Middle School

Old Argonner

- 1 Front Gate
- 2 Bldg. 414: Old Argonner Elementary School
- 3 Bldg. 405: Five Pfennig Playhouse
- 4 Bldg. 417: Child Development Center (CDC)
- 5 Bldg. 459: Outdoor Rec
- 6 Bldg. 454: Director of Community Activities (DCA)
- 7 Bldg. 451: BSB Headquarters
- 8 Bldg. 453: Music Center

Pioneer Kaserne

- 1 Front Gate
- 2 Bldg. 41: Pioneer Fitness Center
- 3 Bldg. 5: Library
- 4 Bldg. 9: Army Community Service (ACS)

Sportsfield Kaserne

- 1 Front Gate
- 2 Bldg. 360: Sportsfield Elementary School
- 3 Bldg. 338: School Age Services

Wolfgang Shopping Center

- 1 Front Gate
- 2 Bldg. 545: American Sampler Craft Shop
- 3 Bldg. 552: Illusions Roller Rink
- 4 Bldg. 551: Hessen Bowl
- 5 Bldg. 514: Wolfgang Outreach Center

Yorkhof Kaserne

- 1 Front Gate
- 2 Bldg. 1204: Civilian Personnel Office
- 3 Bldg. 1201: Military Police

Other Points of Interest

- A. Bldg. 345: AAFES Gas Station
- B. Bldg. 505: APO (Post Office)

- Army Lodging
- C Bldg. 318: Pioneer Inn
- D Bldg. 203: Argonner Guesthouse
- E Bldg. 1617: Coppertop Guesthouse

Banks

- F Community Bank:
 - Bldg. 504: Wolfgang
 - Bldg. 1357: Fliegerhorst
- G Bldg. 504: Andrew's Federal Credit Union

Chapels

- H Bldg. 1362: Fliegerhorst Chapel
- I Bldg. 2237: Büdingen Chapel
- J Bldg. 33: Pioneer Chapel

Other Points of Interest cont'd

- Medical Facilities
 - K Bldg. 255: Vet Clinic
 - L Bldg. 245: Health & Dental Clinic

Movies

- M Bldg. 14: AAFES Movie Theater
- N Bldg. 503: Antique Shop

Shopping

- O AAFES Shoppettes:
 - Bldg. 1106 Hutier
 - Bldg. 1357: Fliegerhorst
 - Bldg. 30: Pioneer
 - Bldg. 2206: Büdingen
 - Bldg. 538: Wolfgang
- P Bldg. 508: Military Clothing Sales
- Q Bldg. 503: AAFES Post Exchange (PX)
- R Bldg. 500: Commissary

Community Mailrooms

- S. Fliegerhorst Bldg. 1357
- S. Pioneer Bldg. 38
- S. Hutier Bldg. 1118
- S. Underwood Bldg. 791
- S. Büdingen Bldg. 2210

COLEMAN HOUSING

Fulda

Exit Gelnhausen West/Gewerbegebiet

WOLFGANG SHOPPING CENTER

Kahl

Rodenbach

Fulda/Gelnhausen Frankfurt

UNDERWOOD KASERNE

GROSSAUHEIM KASERNE

NEW ARGONNER

OLD ARGONNER

CAMPO POND

Frankfurter Kreuz

43A

Großkrotzenburg

Depotstrasse

Neumühlstrasse

Ruhmer Strasse

Bürger Strasse

